

Nutrition & Food Services Frequently Asked Questions

Where can I find menus?

You can access the menu through the District website <u>www.robbinsville.k12.nj.us</u>. On the quick link banner select the drop down "Families" then "Nutrition & Food Services" to find the menus along with additional information.

What does a full meal include?

Breakfast menus offer a variety of entree, fruit and milk selections daily and when offered a choice students must take at least ½ cup fruit and 2 other items to make a meal. Lunch menus include entrée choices ranging from hot feature items, grill favorites, hearty salads, and sandwiches that provide meat/meat alternates and grains plus milk, fruits and vegetable sides. Many schools offer vegetable and fruit bars with a rainbow of produce like greens, carrots, fresh broccoli, zucchini sticks and seasonal fresh fruits.

Of the 5 components offered, students MUST take at least 1/2 cup of fruit OR vegetable and a minimum of 2 other foods for a reimbursable meal when a choice is offered.

Paid Eligible Breakfast prices for the 2023-24 school year are:

- Elementary (grades K–4) = \$3.25
- Middle school (grades 5–8) = \$3.50

Paid Eligible Lunch prices for the 2023-24 school year are:

- Elementary (grades K–4) = \$4.75
- Middle school (grades 5–8) = \$5.00

Free and Reduced Eligible students will be charged \$0.00 for breakfast and lunch meals.

High School prices are ala carte only. Free & Reduced Eligible students may select the components of a reimbursable meal at no cost.

Is all the food served by Aramark peanut free?

All food prepared at the Elementary & Middle schools are in a peanut-free environment. We use Sunbutter, made from sunflower seeds, as an alternate from peanut butter to prepare Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwiches. We understand and are sensitive to allergies that students have today, and we take great precaution with students who have allergies. If your child has specific allergies, please contact the School Nurse.

Is breakfast available for my child?

Breakfast Before the Bell is available in every school in the District. Please check with your building for specific service times as they may vary by location.



Can I pay for my child's lunch online?

Funds can be added to your child's account at any time by sending in an envelope with cash or **check made out to "Robbinsville Board of Education or Robbinsville BOE**." *Please make a note on the memo line stating your student's name & ID.* Your child can give this envelope directly to a Food Service employee or to their teacher at the elementary level.

Remember, the envelope should be clearly marked "**Food Service**" with your student's name, payment amount, teacher's room, and parent contact information in the event of any questions. If the payment is for more than one student, indicate how the money should be split (for example, Johnny = \$10.00 and Sally=\$15.00). Payment can be made in any amount to best suit a family's budget.

Payment may also be made online at <u>www.MyMealTime.com</u>.

How can I find out what the balance is on my student's account, along with purchase history?

The easiest way is to create a FREE account with <u>www.MyMealTime.com</u>. This site will enable you to set "low balance reminders" that will generate notifications when the account falls below your preset amount. You *do not* need to include credit card/payment information to view student account information. There is an app available as well.

What happens if my child forgets his or her lunch?

If your student happens to forget their lunch from home, they may choose from the meal plan and you will subsequently be charged according to student eligibility.

My family qualified for free/reduced-priced meals last year. Do I need to do anything for this school year?

Yes, every year a new application needs to be completed. Students are grandfathered in from last year for the first 30 operating days of the school year beginning September 6, 2023. To avoid disruption in your child's status, a new application must be completed by Wednesday, October 18, 2023. If an application is not received by this date then, beginning Thursday, October 19, 2023 (or 30 operating days into the school year), your child will have a paid lunch status. To apply online visit: https://parents.robbinsville.k12.nj.us/genesis/parents?gohome=true.

WHERE CAN I FIND AN APPLICATION IN MY LANGUAGE?

Visit the USDA site at <u>https://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/translated-applications</u> to see if an application is available in your language.

To apply online visit: <u>https://parents.robbinsville.k12.nj.us/genesis/parents?gohome=true</u>.

Is there a website for the Food Service Department?

Yes. You can visit <u>www.robbinsville.k12.nj.us</u>, click on "Families", then "Nutrition & Food Services" to find *menus, meal prices, wellness program information, nutritional facts, and more.*

Are there any job opportunities?

We are continuously looking to add to our talent. Available positions range from entry-level to leadership roles. Our consistent & convenient schedules are perfect for parents & guardians striving for a convenient work/life balance. Visit <u>https://careers.aramark.com</u> to apply today! You may also contact the Food Service Director, Rachel Como, at <u>como-rachel@aramark.com</u> or (609) 231-0506.