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MEDIA ADVISORY

District Offers Free Meals to All Students, School Meals App

The district's Nutrition Services will provide meals at no cost to all enrolled students* for this school year. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced the availability of waivers allowing schools to serve free meals to all students under the USDA's Seamless Summer Option (SSO) program. The USDA issued guidance that allows schools to offer meals to all students at no cost for the 2021-22 school year.

School Meals App:

An app and interactive website are available for parents and guardians to easily view information on school menus for breakfast and lunch each day. The app features an image and description of food items, as well as nutrition and allergen information. The innovative and interactive web site and mobile app makes school menus more convenient and informative than ever before.

The app can be accessed by searching for "School Menus by Nutrislice" on Google Play or the App Store or visit fresnounified.nutrislice.com.

"This app makes it even easier to take advantage of the nutritious, free school meals that our district offers to all our students. We know that when are students are eating healthy foods, they are better prepared to learn," said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

New Menu Items

This school year, the district is introducing several new menu items, including:

- Cinnamon crumble breakfast bread
- Pancake chicken sausage breakfast bites

- Turkey sausage breakfast bowl
- Cheese quesadilla served with Spanish rice and salsa
- Orange chicken served with a rice blend
- Cheese lasagna served with a whole wheat roll
- Hot and spicy fish sandwich
- Better than Beef vegetarian burger

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This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

* Free meals will also be offered at five non-district sites: Edison Bethune Charter Academy (1616 S. Fruit Ave., 93706), Creative Alternatives Schools (4460 E. Yale Ave., 93703), Dailey Elementary Charter School (3135 N. Harrison Ave. Fresno Ca 93704), Violet Heintz Education Academy (4939 E. Yale Ave. Fresno Ca 93727), and Beth Ramacher Educational Complex (710 N. Hughes Ave. 93728). These sites provide healthy breakfast and lunch each day at no charge for all students enrolled in that school during the 2021-22 school year utilizing the USDA's Seamless Summer Option.

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