



# **SUMMER MEALS**

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS!**

### **Do you have to register for meals?**

No, every child aged 1 to 18 is eligible to receive free breakfast and lunch. The only requirement is that a parent, guardian or student of legal driving age must pick up the meals on Mondays and Thursdays between 12 PM and 1 PM.

### **Why Parkview Elementary?**

The USDA defines rural as “any area in a county that is not part of a Metropolitan Statistical Area and has been identified as geographically isolated from urban areas.” Based on this definition, Parkview Elementary is the sole school in our district classified as rural.

### **What will the meals look like?**

Meals will feature a diverse selection, including breakfast bars, muffins, cereal, and sandwiches such as deli options and peanut butter and jelly. Each meal will also be accompanied by fresh fruit, vegetables, and milk.

### **Who can pick up meals?**

Parents and guardians may pick meals up. A guardian is defined as anyone who takes care of or looks after the child. Children of legal driving age may pick up their own meals.

### **Do children have to be present for meal pick-up?**

No, children do not need to be present when picking up meals. However, sponsors may ask for additional information if needed to verify your child's eligibility.

### **Do I have to get out of the car when picking up?**

No. Food service staff will load your vehicle for you. All that is required is for a parent, guardian, or student of legal driving age to pick up meals between 12-1PM on Monday or Thursday.

## **How many meals per week can each child receive?**

Each child is eligible to receive a maximum of seven breakfast entrees and seven lunch entrees, totaling 14 meals per week. Meal distribution will occur on Mondays and Thursdays. On Monday, participants will receive three breakfasts and three lunches, while Thursday will provide four breakfasts and four lunches.

## **My family wont eat some of the items on the menu. Can we donate leftover food that we do not eat?**

No. We will provide menus in advance to assist parents and guardians in making informed decisions about their meal selections. Donating food from the SUN Meals To-Go program is not permissible under state and federal regulations. Each breakfast must include a grain, a fruit, and milk, while every lunch must consist of a grain, a meat or meat alternative, a fruit or vegetable, and milk. Donating any single item would render the meal non-compliant.

## **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR CONCERNS?**

