BOERNE ISD CHILD NUTRITION



Boerne ISD participates in the National School Lunch (NSLP) and School Breakfast Programs. The United States Department of Agriculture administers these programs and has established guidelines that must be followed by the District.

School lunch, as it is known today, came into being in 1946 as a result of the National School Lunch Act. That law was intended to safeguard the health and well being of the nation's children and to encourage the domestic consumption of agricultural commodities.

The NSLP guidelines specify the type of meal to be served and the quantities of each food that must be offered. The school lunch provides 1/3 of the Recommended Daily Dietary Allowances for key nutrients and sufficient calories to provide for the energy needs of growing children. An emphasis is placed on providing calories from whole grain breads, vegetables, and fresh fruits. Low fat milk is offered. Recipes have been revised to lower the amount of fat, sugar, and salt. The nutritive value of products is evaluated so healthy choices are available to students.

The School Breakfast Program began as a pilot program under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966. The program was aimed at schools serving a large number of needy children. Since then, legislation has been enacted which makes the School Breakfast Program available to all schools.

BOERNE ISD CHILD NUTRITION FACTS

The Goal

The goal of the Child Nutrition Department is to provide nutritious meals to the students of Boerne ISD. Over 2,600 meals are served daily with over 460,000 meals served annually.

Locations

Child Nutrition has fully equipped kitchens at all 11 campuses. There are 2 High Schools, 2 Middle Schools, 6 Elementary Schools and the Boerne Academy.

Staffing

Each school has a Child Nutrition Manager who oversees that kitchen and is directly responsible to Child Nutrition/Central Office. Child Nutrition Specialists perform all the duties necessary for the preparation and serving of food and clean up the facilities. Duties are usually rotated.

Adults and visitors pay slightly more

Because federal reimbursement and commodities are not received for lunches sold to school staff or visitors, adults and visitors pay more for the food than students. However, the cost is significantly less than what people pay at a restaurant for the same type or amount of food.

Business policies dictate self-supporting operation

The Child Nutrition Department operates within Boerne School District's business policies while maintaining a non-profit, self-supporting status. The revenues to support this department are generated by income from paid meals, federal government reimbursements, and government donated commodities. From this income the Child Nutrition Department:

- Pays all salaries and benefits for a staff of 56 employees
- Pays all food and non-food costs
- Maintains all cafeterias and equipment
- Replaces all equipment needed
- Buys all supplies

The only tax dollars used come from voter approved bonds to purchase equipment when a new school is built.

Employment Opportunities

Some Benefits of working for the Boerne ISD Child Nutrition Department are:

- Work hours are convenient for moms/dads with children in school
- Schedules coincide with student school holidays
- Summers off
- Health care benefits

[&]quot;In accordance with Federal laws and the U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.

To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington,