

For Parents and Students of New London School District  
*Greeting From Food Service!*

***Food Service Update 2011***  
**No Charge Policy**

We will be following the district policy #760 no charge policy. Students will not be allowed to charge meals or a la Carte items. Balances will be checked daily prior to meal service and those without sufficient funds in their account to cover the cost of the menu meal or a la Carte items will be offered an alternate meal.

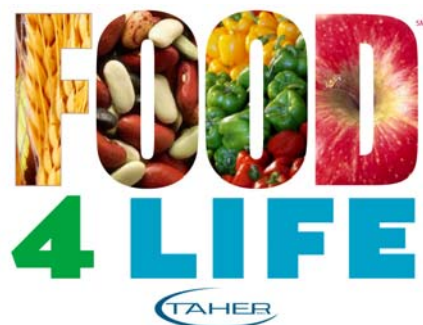
**Fruit & Vegetable Bar**

To encourage students to eat a well-balanced lunch, we are happy to offer a Fruit & Vegetable Bar on each serving line. Each day, students may choose fruit and vegetable selections as part of their complete meal. As part of our Food 4 Life initiative, we are making school lunchtime educational and healthy by providing foods that are fresh, of high quality and minimally processed. Our menu gives students the opportunity to experience a variety of foods and tastes, and reflects seasonal changes.

**Computerized Meal Program**

The School District of New London uses a computerized meal ticket program. Each student has a pin number that is for their use only. We ask that you do not share your number with any other family members or friends in the district as the program allows only one reimbursable lunch per student. The school district is in the process of upgrading to Skyward Food Service system and plans to have it in place by the start of the school year. Once the system is running properly, instructions on making online payments will be provided. Food Service payments, which include lunch and breakfast, will be accepted at registration via check or cash or you may mail check payments made payable to New London School Food Service at our office: Attn: Food Service 1700 Klatt Road New London, WI 54961





### **Low Balances:**

Phone Master calls Families daily with account balances of \$10.00 or less.

A note will be sent home with your child.

Cashiers will remind students of their lunch account balance for alternate lunch.

Families may check their balance and purchases online through the Skyward Family Access.

Students with a balance of a negative \$5.00 will receive an alternate lunch.

### **Offer vs Serve:**

Students are offered all meal items but they need only to take three items to be counted as a meal by USDA standards. Many entrees include both a protein and a bread (i.e., hamburgers), which means when taken with a milk, fruit or vegetable, it is considered a meal. Students may choose the items they want as long as they select three different items. By encouraging offer vs serve, there is less food waste, and students tend to eat the selections they choose.

### **Harvest of the month:**

Each month, our menu features a specific fruit and vegetable with the addition of a specific grain each quarter. Students will be able to learn about the history and nutritional benefits of the fruit, vegetable and grain as part of our *Harvest of the Month* promotion. During the month we will be posting flyers emphasizing the history, botanical background, fun facts and nutrition benefits of our featured *Harvest of the Month* fruit and vegetable.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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