



# RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2

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Dear RESD Parents and Guardians:

When the COVID-19 pandemic occurred, the USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) came to the rescue and released a series of waivers to allow our school to operate on a “Seamless Summer Option” during the 2021-2022 school year to be able to serve free meals to all students. Unfortunately, the USDA will no longer be able to extend waivers for school districts. Therefore, starting next school year 2022-2023, our meal service program will be resuming “normal” operation, to some extent.

Starting in 2022-2023 school year:

- o Foodservice will continue to practice safety and cleanliness in all areas of the kitchens and cafeterias.
- o Students will not automatically receive free meals.
- o Free, reduced, or paid price for meals will be determined based on student eligibility by completing a lunch application. Complete meal application and returned to Foodservice by August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- o Foodservice will be providing lunch applications to be completed by every household.
- o New meal application form will be released after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.
- o Meal application form can be completed online.
- o Funds or payments to student meal account can be made online, by cash, or by check made payable to Riverside CNS.
- o Students at Maricopa Institute of Technology will be offered breakfast and lunch in the cafeteria as usual.
- o Students will be using their ID number at the point of service, we recommend that students learn their student ID number and not share it with other students.
- o Snacks will be provided to students based on afterschool program(s).
- o Nutritious and well-balanced menus will be planned based on USDA guidance. These menus consist of whole grains, a variety of fruits in both fresh and 100% juice form, a variety of vegetables and a variety of milk options.
- o A friendly reminder that we do not recommend students sharing food from each other’s plates.
- o We also highly recommend that students wash their hands prior to eating their food.

We are excited to start the 2022-2023 school year and look forward to providing students nutritious and delicious meals!

Sincerely,

Child Nutrition Services Department

Riverside Elementary School District No. 2

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