

THINKING ABOUT HAVING A SHARE AND TRADE AT YOUR CAMPUS DURING BREAKFAST OR LUNCH?



HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU DECIDE:

AT THE CAMPUS' DISCRETION, SHARE AND TRADE TABLES ARE ALLOWABLE HOWEVER THEY MUST BE MAINTAINED BY THE CAMPUS, NOT CHILD NUTRITION. THE CAMPUS ADMINISTRATOR OR DESIGNATED CAMPUS STAFF MUST PROVIDE THE AREA AND TABLE/CART WHERE STUDENTS WILL PLACE UNWRAPPED/UNOPENED ITEMS THEY DO NOT WISH TO CONSUME AS THEY EXIT THE MEAL SERVICE LINE.

HERE ARE SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT WHEN PLANNING:

- Allergy and Special dietary concerns (Nurses when dosing insulin is a factor) -The table is not monitored by Child Nutrition. It must be provided and maintained by campus staff. All leftovers are also at the campus discretion and cannot be returned to the cafeteria, but this provides an opportunity for the campus to assist with any hunger issues if they wish)
- How many items can a student take?
- Can Adults participate in the share and trade? In my experience this works out quite well since adult trays include more selections than a student tray. Adults purchasing a tray may select one of each side dish in addition to the entrée so many adults will take an additional fruit (they are allowed 2, students only 1 serving), a bread item (Whole grain chips or the grain of the day) and all the vegetable side dishes even if they do not want them just to place extra items on the share and trade table for students)
- Temperature concerns-The cafeteria may provide ice upon request, but the pan must be returned without any product in it once meal service ends. I see students take milk all the time and they never touch it not knowing they do not have to take milk with their meal. If milk or another dairy item such as yogurt or cheese are going to be placed on the share and trade table, they must be kept at a temperature of 40°F or below.
- Discarding the items. The cafeteria staff will not be allowed to maintain the area/table. Please be sure to instruct designated campus staff on what to do with any items that remain on the cart after a meal service. This is completely at the campus discretion and The Child Nutrition Department is not responsible for any food related illness, injury or incident of items that are consumed from this table.

Please reach out to the Child Nutrition Department if you have any concerns.

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