

Newman Catholic Schools Food Service under Covid restrictions may look a bit different, but trust that we are taking all steps recommended to keep your children safe and provide a healthy lunch. We are excited to welcome students back and eager to take on the challenge of making meals students will enjoy!

Meals at all sites will continue to include all 5 components; meat, vegetable, fruit, grain and milk. We are making every effort to make these meals more of a grab and go- They may be on a tray, in a bag or box, etc. depending on the entrée served. Some meals will be hot, some will be cold. Students will essentially be handed a lunch that contains all food items, utensils and condiments that will be need for that meal.

In planning for these meals staff will wear protective gear, gloves and masks and/or face shields. High standards are always in place in the kitchen for handwashing and sanitizing all surfaces and equipment. There will not be shared utensils or any type of self-serve food items and students will not be entering their own lunch codes.

With all these changes, the lunches will temporarily not offer as many options. Students will receive a complete lunch ready to go, this may increase our waste for the time being, but it makes the serving and preparation safer and more efficient. Some lunches may offer options or choices.

If your student has an allergy or dietary restriction a meal will be prepared in an allergy free area and labeled for them. Please make sure if your child has an allergy or dietary restriction that the paperwork from the Food Service Policy & Forms page on our website is filled out and on file at your child's school.

Students at the High School and Middle School will see a reduction in Ala Carte options at first. Depending on how things go we may see these options grow or stay limited.

Students at the elementary sites will receive meals prepared off-site and served at their buildings.

Menus for all students will be published 2 weeks at a time. This is a result of the availability of certain food items as all schools across the country return all needing the same items, and food distributors trying to predict what those needs are in advance without overstocking, there may be shortages or delays of some items resulting in menu changes.

We thank you for your patience and trust during these uncertain times and look forward to serving your children lunch with a smile each day!