



BACK TO SCHOOL 2021 & SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES TALKING POINTS

- Our school nutrition staff looks forward to welcoming students back to school! We will continue serving healthy school meals to fuel our students for success.
- This school year, thanks to federal pandemic waivers, all students will be eligible for free meals, regardless of family income.
- ***(Insert any details on how/where meals will be served, COVID safety measures, meal options/menus, any services for distance learners.)***
- School meal programs nationwide are experiencing many of the same supply chain issues that have impacted restaurants and grocery stores throughout the pandemic.
- Our school nutrition team is committed to ensuring students continue to have access to healthy meals each school day.
- Just as families had to make substitutions on grocery lists last year, schools will have to make some last-minute changes to our regular menus, based on availability.
- We hope parents and students will be patient as we sort through these supply chain issues.
- We may not have the same number of menu choices that we typically offer our students, but we'll be sure that all students are nourished and ready to learn.