



December 2023 | Food Service Report

Mason Consolidated Schools

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TNG On-Site at Mason Central

Wellness Wednesday took place on December 13th!



Melissa hosted Wellness Wednesday and offered a sample of Roasted Chickpeas. Chickpeas are a legume that is very nutritious & high in protein & fiber with many health benefits.



TNG On-Site at Mason High School

New Ramp for the Walk-in Freezer!



A ramp was needed for the new freezer that was replaced over this past summer (the old one had a ramp inside).

We reached out to Mr. Rosenberger in hopes that a student in his class could build one.

How appropriate that our Lead Cook's son, Wyatt Knopp, who is a senior this year, took on this task and did a wonderful job!

Many thanks to both Wyatt and Mr. Rosenberger!

Participation

Across the Cafeterias in December



	Budget	Actual
Breakfast	246	373
Lunch	490	651
Ala-Carte	285	153

Participation continues to exceed our goals for both breakfast and lunch. Ala carte sales continue to struggle despite our focus to increase sales, but we will continue with specials and pop-ups.

Pictured are several ala carte specials along with a few pop-ups that were available this month.



Beth's Melting Snowman Cookie and Peppermint Chocolate Cookie were creative and festive!

Students look forward to fries being offered daily, but the cheesy bread was not favored.



Ala Carte Pop-ups this month included Hot Chocolate with Whipped Topping & Peppermint Sprinkles and a Yogurt Bar for Breakfast & Ala Carte

Vendor Partnerships



We value our partnerships with our trusted vendors.

Members of our purchasing team meets with and reviews the most reputable wholesale food suppliers, manufacturers, and distributors in the industry. They are seeking partners that provide products that not only meet federal and state guidelines, but product offerings that are appealing to our customers.

One of our valued partners is J.T.M. Food Group.

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Family, Faith and Food Safety are important to J.T.M. Food Group.

- They are a family-owned company
- Products are made from scratch
- Use quality ingredients
- Kettle cooking
- Clean labels
- No MSG
- Products meet low sodium requirements
- One product has many applications
- Products are labor saving for TNG staff
- They understand our needs

Our Customer's favorite products include:

- Cheese Sauces-Nacho, Alfredo, Queso
- Meatballs-Chicken/Beef
- Beef Crumbles
- Sauces-Korean BBQ, Sweet & Sour, Hunan Chicken



Scan QR code to watch video

This video by J.T.M. Foods is a great representation of how we feel about the importance of quality, and the role that food plays in people's lives. Their values and beliefs are inline with TNG's, and this is one reason we choose to partner with them.

Professional Development

Ongoing training for our management team

TNG continues to focus on training for our team. We believe the better trained our management team is the better they are able to serve our customers.

Training is a vital component of success, so we provide our employees unique opportunities to develop their skills and knowledge through detailed curriculum, group meeting instruction, and web-based training modules.

In addition to our yearly Summer Seminar, we hold 2-3 in-person group meetings for our Regional Managers.

Our latest Regional Manager meeting was held in November in State College.

Training sessions included several required USDA Trainings:

- Diversity, Equality and Inclusion
- Communications
- Cost Controls and Revenue
- Culture of Caring
- Customer Experience



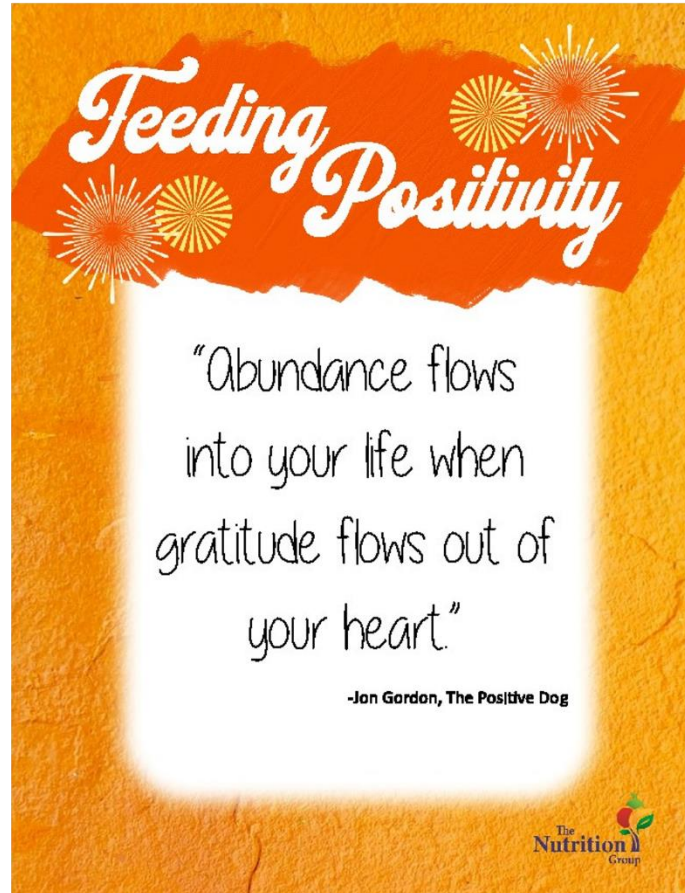
Feeding Positivity

We continue to convey the powerful messages of *“The Positive Dog”* throughout the year in our cafeterias!



These are our objectives and messages for November and December.

- DFNs are to continue Feeding Positivity Messages throughout the cafeterias
- Share Success Stories
- Celebrate the wins, big and small
- Acknowledge the successes of each team and kitchen



MARK YOUR CALENDARS
TO JOIN US IN YOUR CAFETERIA
FOR OUR
SPECIAL EVENTS!!!



Molly the Cow will make an appearance during the week of January 15th at Central to share her “moo-ving” message about the importance of calcium.

She will be offering students a calcium-rich treat, too!

(National Milk Day is actually on January 11th but Molly already had her day planned 😊)





WISHING YOU
HAPPY

Holidays

AND A WONDERFUL NEW YEAR!

Thank you for allowing us to
serve your students and staff!

Thank You!



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