## MISTER'S FOOD SERVICE

August 15, 2023

Dear Students, Parents/ Guardians and School Community:

Welcome Back to a New Year in Riverdale Borough Public School! As of September 7, 2023, the Riverdale School Food Services will offer students breakfast and lunch in their school's cafeteria every day. The Food and Nutrition Services Department for the Riverdale School are more than happy to offer personalized offerings to the school community. We can't wait to see and serve our best customers, the students. The goal for our program is to serve nutritionally balanced meals that are delicious and prepared in your school's kitchen.

The school takes part in the National School Lunch Program. We provide the <u>Five components</u> of a complete lunch; 1- Meat/ Protein Alternative 2- Bread/ Grain 3- Milk 4- Fruit 5- Vegetable. To get a full, free or reduced lunch at the listed price, the lunch must include at least three of the five components. One of the three components taken must be at least a ½ Cup fruit and/ or vegetable to be considered a Full Lunch. If a complete lunch is not purchased, the items are sold A la carte. (separately)

The School Breakfast Program is also being offered this year. The **Three** components of a complete breakfast are; **1**-Bread/ Grain **2**-Fruit **3**-Milk (A Meat/Protein Alternative component can replace the Bread/Grain to make a complete student breakfast) All three must be taken to be considered a Full Breakfast.

## The Meal Prices for this School Year 2022-23 are:

Breakfast- Paid \$2.10, Reduced \$.00, Lunch- Paid \$3.30, Reduced \$.00

Riverdale's School Kitchen has computerized payment systems in the cafeteria. **This system is used in place of paying with money.** Please know that paying with money at the register is acceptable if that is your preference. The system provides confidentiality for all students receiving free or reduced-price meals. All online and account deposits are held safely in the school district's account.

Each school student is assigned a personal identification number (PIN) which can be entered into the cafeteria pin pad at the cashier station each time they purchase. This PIN number can be found in OnCourse. You can prepay for meals and the money will be deducted each time they access their account to purchase meals, drinks or food. Prepayment is not mandatory but is strongly recommended. You may prepay by paying online, sending cash or a check with your child to be given to the cashier. (Provide an envelope labeled Food Service account deposit with student name, grade and teacher)

Please make **checks payable** to **Riverdale Board of Education- Cafeteria Account** and include the student's name in the memo line.

Online deposits into your child(ren)'s account can be made at <a href="www.payschoolscentral.com">www.payschoolscentral.com</a>. You will need your PIN number found in OnCourse when entering online deposits. Through Payschools you can pay by credit card or ACH(electronic check. Our customers can view the account purchases, receive low balance emails, automatic account replenishment and an App for your phone to have access at your fingertips.

Students of parents that choose not to prepay can still purchase meals, snacks or drinks daily with cash.

Any account money remaining or owed from the previous school year will be rolled over to the following year. When the account balance approaches a negative balance, the students will be notified by the cashier. Negative balance letters will be either mailed home or given to each student to bring home. Any account funds owed is part of and to be paid to Riverdale Schools' Food Service Fund.

Mister's Food Service will be your new School Breakfast/Lunch provider. We look forward to providing a variety of choices as well as a vegetable bar, YAC (youth advisory committee) meetings with students to discuss food service, sticker days and getting caught doing something nice giveaways.

If any questions arise, we can be reached at Mistersfoodservice@yahoo.com or (908)868-4501

Mister's Food Service looks forward to serving your children in the 2023/2024 school year.

Thank you, Jim Giannakis Mister's Food Service