Meeting Minutes

October 25, 2023

Salt Brook Cafeteria- 7:00 pm

- 1. Call to Order and Flag Salute
- 2. Special Guests: Mark Milluzzo, Operations Manager, and Melissa Muglia, Food Service Director from Pomptonian Food Services- **Please see attached summary**.
- 3. Approval of Minutes- September 2022 Meeting
 - a. Approved and available on the PTA website
- 4. Principal's Report
 - a. Dr. Firetto presented the Principal's report. He spoke about Character Education Highlights including the 2023-2024 school theme, after school clubs and additional staff parking.
 - b. Please see attached summary for additional details.
- 5. President's Message/ Announcements
 - a. Martial Life promotion ends on 10/31. It's a great way to try martial arts and support the PTA.
 - b. Be on the look out for the celebrations drive which supports the Salt Brook library as well as the sign up for the holiday craft.
 - c. Thank you to Bethany for running the fall concession sales, we have an upcoming 6th grade fundraiser donut sale on Friday 11/3.
 - d. Thank you to Lisa & Lauren for running a fun movie night.
 - e. Thank you to Karen, Carly, Mary, and Michelle for organizing a successful Grandparents Day.
 - f. Thank you to Sonia and Yufeng for organizing Walk to School
 - g. Thank you to our Book Fair Committee, we had a great few days and we are looking forward to tomorrow. Special thanks to Kathy Wilson since this is her last year. Thank you for all your hard work in making the Book Fair a success all these years.
- 6. Treasurer's Report
 - a. All room parents have been giving their class funds for the year. If any funds are left over in June, they will be saved in the respective class accounts.
 - b. See attached report for further details.
- 7. Correspondence Report- None noted.
- 8. Committee Reports

- a. Movie Night- Screen cost was approximately \$1,000, Popcorn rental \$85, Advanced ticket sales \$560. Bake Sale/Popcorn/Day of tickets- approximately \$600. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event successful.
 - i. Next year instead of renting popcorn machines there are a few parents who offered to donate the use of their personal machine to save on cost.
- b. Grandparents Day- We had approximately 160 Grandparents. The event was funded entirely by donations. The Grandparents wrote letters to their grandchildren during the breakfast, which they really enjoyed. Thanks to everyone and their generosity in making this event a success.
- 9. Upcoming Events
 - a. Fundraiser at Prestige Diner 2/5 -2/9 a portion of proceeds will be donated to the Salt Brook PTA.
 - b. In January Mrs. Sporle will be presenting at the PTA meeting on cyber safety.

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CHARACTER EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

- 2023 2024 New Theme Announced Now is the Time
- Beginning to incorporate this overarching theme into our daily activities. We will have monthly themes that correspond and support the overarching theme.
- As parents, you can assist us by helping to reinforce our monthly themes in your own homes:
 - September Building Relationships
 - October Showing Respect
 - November Being Grateful
 - December Being Generous
 - January Being Optimistic
 - February Kindness
 - March Being Empathetic
 - April Helping Others
 - May Asking for help
 - June Trying something new
- Week of Respect / Red Ribbon / Anti Violence Awareness Week recognized during the month of October

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS -

- Sign-ups were sent home on 10/13
- Club Offerings
 - Art Club Gr. 5
 - STEM Clubs- Grades 1 6 (Gr. 6 will begin during the 2nd trimester)
 - Multicultural Club Grs 1 4
 - SWAG Students with Attitudes of Greatness Gr. 6, Will begin in January
 - Broadcasters Grades 5 and 6
 - SWAT (Students Willing to Assist with Technology) Grs. 5 and 6
- We will try our best to ensure that all who wish to participate can. However, in order to keep the club participant size conducive to learning we may not be able to accomodate all. A "wait list" will be made for all students who were not able to participate

ADDITIONAL STAFF PARKING -

B Maple Street Additional Parking - SB School Staff Only

UPCOMING OCTOBER / NOVEMBER EVENTS -

- RED RIBBON WEEK, October 23 27 Red Ribbon Week.pdf
- Halloween Dress-up Day and Parade, October 31st
- School Picture Retakes, November 1st
- Parent- Teacher Conferences: Grades Kdg 6, November 6 8
- American Education Week
 - Parent visitations November 14th and 15th (Tuesday and Wednesday) from 9 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 2:30 p.m.
 - Harlem Wizards Game November 14 and 15th
- Thanksgiving Recess, November 22nd 12:30 p.m. November 24th

Pomptonian Food Services School Lunch Overview



Mark Milluzzo, Operations Manager, and Melissa Muglia, Food Service Director attended the Salt Brook PTA meeting in October and gave a general overview about the school lunch service available. Below you will find a summary of information about the menu, daily options available and answers to some questions that you may have.

General Information

- ✓ There is a new lunch entrée available *daily* as well as a *weekly* lunch entrée.
- ✓ Every *Friday* is pizza day. Pizza is delivered from Bellariva in New Providence.
- ✓ There is a *weekly* deli sandwich.
- ✓ Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad, Fruit & Yogurt Parfait, Bagel Box and Fruit & Cheese Bento box are always available.
- ✓ Pomptonian offers are *Farm to Tray* lunch program and features a different local fruit and vegetable each month.

What's Included?

- ✓ A <u>complete</u> lunch includes:
 - Lunch Entrée
 - Trip to the Farmstand
 - o Drink
- ✓ When the children enter the cafeteria, they first choose their beverage, then lunch entrée, followed by a side from the farmstand.
- ✓ Beverages include a variety of milk, juices, and small water.
- ✓ The farmstand includes a variety of fruits and vegetables and the selection is *unlimited*.

- ✓ There is no additional charge for farmstand side items if a lunch entrée is purchased.
- ✓ Farmstand items purchased without the purchase of a lunch entrée will be an additional charge.
- ✓ A-la carte snacks are available for an additional charge.



- ✓ Download the Pomptonian Food Services app: *FD Meal Planner*
- ✓ Using this app, you can view all lunch options available including entrees, farmstand and beverages.
- ✓ Nutritional information and dietary restriction included.

Some questions you may have?

Q: I forgot to replenish my child's lunch account; will they be turned away from buying lunch?

A: A lunch entrée will always be provided. A child will not be able to purchase a snack if no money is available in the account.

Q: Who do I contact for questions relating to charges on my account?

A: Please contact Melissa Muglia, On-Site Food Director, either via email, <u>mmuglia@npsdnj.org</u> or phone (908) 464-4700 ext. 1628

Q: Can restrictions be added to my child's lunch account so that certain items can't be purchased?

A: Restrictions can be added to any lunch account by contacting Melissa Muglia. An example of a restriction is the limitation of snack purchases.

Q: We know that a beverage and a side are included with each entrée purchase. How do we make sure our children know what is available?

A: Mark Milluzzo is going to speak with the cafeteria staff to ensure it is communicated to all students' which items are included. Additionally, please remind your children of all options available to them.

Q: Is there a price list available for purchases?

A: A price list is available on the New Providence school district website under food services. We have included a copy with this document.

	New Providence School District	2023-2024
	Elementary School	2023-2024
MARY ROUTE		Service States
LUNCH	Student Lunch	\$3.7
	Featured Favorite Lunch	\$4.7
	Reduced Price Lunch	\$0.5
	Faculty Lunch	\$5.0
	Faculty Featured Favorite Lunch Meals include: Entrée selection (protein/grain), fruit, vegetable, and an 8 oz. milk	\$5.5
ENTRÉE:		
	Student Lunch Entrée Only	\$3.6
	Featured Favorite Entrée Only	\$4.3
	Pizza Slice	\$2.7
	Pizza Parlor Pizza, plain	\$3.0
SANDWICHES:		
	Boar's Head Deli Sandwich or Wrap as a Complete Meal or a la Carte	\$4.7
SALADS:		A
	Boar's Head Salad Lunch as a Complete Meal or a la Carte	\$4.7
	Featured Favorite Salad Lunch as a Complete Meal or a la Carte	\$4.7
SOUP/BREADS:		
	Soup Cup, 8 oz.	\$3.1
	Bagel w/Butter (2 butter chips)	\$2.3
	Bagel w/Cream Cheese	\$2.6
SIDES:	Freeh Freih/Grand Freih 1 aug (2 particus)	61.0
	Fresh Fruit/Cupped Fruit, 1 cup (2 portions)	\$1.0
	Side Vegetable, 1 cup (2 portions) French Fries/Potato Tots, 4 oz.	\$1.0
	Hench Friest Fotato Fota, 4 02.	52.0
SNACKS A LA CARTE:	Freehly Baland Cookie ampli	\$0.9
	Freshly Baked Cookie, small Welch's Fruit Snacks	\$1.3
		\$1.5
	Cookies (packaged) Baked Snacks/Chips, small	\$1.3
	Baked Snacks/Chips, large	\$1.8
	Specialty Chips (Popcorners)	\$2.2
	Pop-Tart, single	\$1.6
	Granola Bars (Nature Valley)	\$1.6
	Rice Krispies Treat	\$1.6
	Hot Jumbo Pretzel	\$1.9
		\$2.5
	Brownie Yogurt Parfait, 10 oz.	\$3.6
		\$3.0
ICE CREAM:	Fresh Fruit Cup, 12 oz.	33.0
	Assorted Ice Cream	\$1.75-\$3.2
BEVERAGE:		
	Milk, 8 oz.	\$1.0
	Juice, 4 oz.	\$0.9
	Apple & Eve 100% Juice, 8 oz.	\$1.4
	Bottled Water, 10 oz.	\$1.3
	Bottled Water, 16.9 oz.	\$1.6
	100% Sparkling Juice (Envy/Switch)	\$2.1



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