



Dear Parents:

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our families. Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year!

We hope you had a wonderful and restful summer break. As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, we want to take a moment to introduce you to our Child Nutrition Program (CNP) and highlight some important information.

Our mission is to provide nutritious and delicious meals that support the health and well-being of our students. We understand the vital role that proper nutrition plays in academic success and overall growth, and we are committed to offering well-balanced meals that meet federal nutrition standards.

Meal Service Information:

- ❖ **Menus:** CNP menus are carefully planned to include a variety of options that appeal to students while meeting strict nutritional guidelines.
- ❖ **Meal Programs:** CNP offers Breakfast, Lunch and a 'Free' Afterschool Meal (Super Snack) at all schools that participate in the Child Nutrition Program. These programs help to ensure that students have access to wholesome meals throughout the day.
- ❖ **Special Dietary Needs:** CNP accommodates students that have special dietary needs; all we need is appropriate medical documentation. Please contact our registered dietitian if your child requires special meal accommodations.
- ❖ **Meal Prices and Payments:** Information regarding meal prices, payment methods, and how to apply for free or reduced-price meals is available on our website www.cnpbr.org

Safety and Hygiene:

The health and safety of our students are our top priorities. We adhere to strict food safety and hygiene protocols to ensure that all meals are prepared, stored, and served in a safe manner.

Get Involved:

We encourage parents to get involved in our Child Nutrition Program. Whether through volunteering in the café or joining your child for lunch, we welcome you! Please visit our website (www.cnpbr.org), Like us on Facebook (Diocese of Baton Rouge Child Nutrition Program) or Follow-Us on Instagram ([diobr_childnutrition](https://www.instagram.com/diobr_childnutrition)). Your participation is invaluable to us.

Contact Information:

If you have any questions, concerns, or feedback regarding the Child Nutrition Program, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at 225-387-6421 or email us at cnp@diobr.org. We are here to support you and your child/children throughout the school year.

We look forward to serving your child/children nutritious meals and contributing to their overall educational experience. Thank you for your continued support!

Warm regards,

Lynda Carville
CNP Director

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