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"Healthy Eating for a Brighter Future"

August 25, 2016

Dear Parents,

During this school year, students received a free breakfast and lunch meal under Special Assistance Provision 2.

Additional meals and a la carte menu items will also be available at a nominal price. The Food & Nutrition Service Department encourages students to take advantage of the free meals and low cost nutritious a la carte items.

The FNS Department is fully committed to implementing the USDA's School Meals Initiative and complying with the USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans through a variety of meal planning approaches. Menus are planned to include a variety of well-balanced foods. Menu selections are designed to increase the consumption of grains, fruits, and vegetables, as well as other food sources rich in essential vitamins and minerals. The FNS Department shall continue to build upon the standard of quality that the community has come to expect and assure that the Dietary Guidelines are met.

Menus will be available at the cafeterias. Parents may contact the FNS Department regarding any concerns or questions on the program at 548-8450 or on the web at <http://www.bisd.us/foodservice/>.

Sincerely,

Rosario Peña

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25 de Agosto del 2016

Queridos padres,

Durante este año escolar, los estudiantes recibieron un desayuno y el almuerzo comida gratis en virtud de Provisión de Asistencia Especial 2.

Las demás comidas y platos a la carta de menú también estarán disponibles a un precio nominal. El Departamento de Servicios de Alimentos y Nutrición anima a los estudiantes a tomar ventaja de las comidas gratis y elementos nutritivos de bajo coste a la carta.

El Departamento FNS está totalmente comprometido con la implementación de la Iniciativa de Comidas Escolares del USDA y cumpliendo con las directrices dietéticas del USDA para los estadounidenses a través de una variedad de enfoques de planificación de comidas. Los menús están previstas para incluir una variedad de alimentos bien balanceados. Las selecciones de menú están diseñados para aumentar el consumo de granos, frutas y verduras, así como otras fuentes de alimentos ricos en vitaminas y minerales esenciales. El Departamento FNS deberá seguir aprovechando el estándar de calidad que la comunidad ha llegado a esperar y asegurar que se cumplen las directrices dietéticas.

Menús estará disponible en las cafeterías. Los padres pueden ponerse en contacto con el Departamento de FNS con respecto a cualquier inquietud o pregunta sobre el programa de 548-8450 o en la web en <http://www.bisd.us/foodservice/>.

Sinceramente,

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