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"Healthy Eating for a Brighter Future"

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Dear Parents,

During the 2017-2018 school year, students will continue to receive a free breakfast and lunch meal under Special Assistance Provision 2.

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,

Paul C. Johnson
FNS Interim Administrator

English
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