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## **Clayton County Public Schools Celebrate National School Lunch Week**

*‘Now Playing: School Lunch’ highlights #NSLW2020*

**JONESBORO** – To recognize the National School Lunch Program which serves nearly 30 million children each day, the School Nutrition Department of Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) will celebrate National School Lunch Week from October 12-16, 2020. The theme, “Now Playing: School Lunch!” puts the spotlight on the importance of a healthy school lunch in a child’s life.

National School Lunch Week will highlight the nutritious foods available daily at the district’s schools. Plans include movie and Hollywood themed meals and fun nutrition education activities that children can complete at home.

“School lunches offer students fruits and vegetables, whole grains and milk, and meet federal nutrition standards limiting fat, calories and sodium,” said Audrey Hamilton, CCPS Director of School Nutrition. “National School Lunch Week helps us educate parents and students about all the wonderful benefits of our lunch program.”

The federally-funded National School Lunch Program (NSLP) has been fueling students for success for more than 70 years. All children enrolled in in schools receive breakfast, lunch and an afterschool snack at no charge. The COVID-19 pandemic has without a doubt shown just how incredibly important school meals are for students and their families. Household members may pick up meals from any school site in the district, between the hours of 9 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday.

Through a partnership between Nutrition Services and the Transportation Department, meals are available in all Clayton County Public Schools communities. To locate Nutrition route schedules, please click on the link below: [https://www.clayton.k12.ga.us/departments/transportation\\_department/nutrition\\_stops](https://www.clayton.k12.ga.us/departments/transportation_department/nutrition_stops)

The “Now Playing School Lunch” campaign is made possible by the nonprofit School Nutrition Association. Parents and students can follow the fun using the hashtags #NSLW2020, #NowPlayingSchoolLunch and #SchoolLunch. For more information on National School Lunch Week, visit <https://schoolnutrition.org/nslw/>.

Read the USDA Nondiscrimination Statement by clicking on this web address: <https://www.clayton.k12.ga.us/cms/One.aspx?portalId=54515&pageId=104529>

## **About Clayton County Public Schools**

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited through AdvancED – Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 55,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the fifth-largest school system in Georgia.

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