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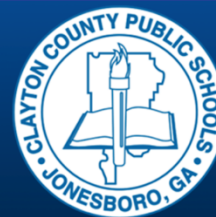
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CCPS Celebrates National School Lunch Week October 18-22, 2021

JONESBORO - To recognize the National School Lunch Program, serving nearly 30 million children each day Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) will celebrate National School Lunch Week from October 18 - 22, 2021. The fun and creative campaign theme, “WILD About School Lunch” highlights the importance of a healthy school lunch to a student’s success both in and out of the classroom.

Recent [research](#) shows children are getting their healthiest meals at school. National School Lunch Week will highlight the nutritious foods available daily at CCPS schools. The school lunch programs offer choices of fresh whole fruit and 100% fruit juice, a variety of steamed and cold crunchy vegetables, wholesome entrée items and cold milk flavors each day at lunch. The federally-funded National School Lunch Program (NSLP) has been fueling students for success for 75 years.

“Our tasty lunch menus meet federal nutrition standards limiting fat, calories and sodium,” said Audrey Hamilton, School Nutrition Director. “Thanks to pandemic waivers and our renewed Community Eligibility Provision, school meals continue to be free for all students this school year, so it’s a great time to give school lunch a try. National School Lunch Week helps us educate parents and students about all the wonderful benefits of our lunch program.”

In schools and at curbside, our family may see nutrition staff masked as a tiger, lion, or exotic bird! This is how we will celebrate that we are WILD About School Lunch! In addition, students will receive a cool treat during the celebration week.

The “WILD About School Lunch” campaign is made possible by the nonprofit School Nutrition Association and Kellogg’s. Parents and students can follow the fun using the hashtags #NSLW21, #WILDSchoolLunch and #SchoolLunch. For more information on National School Lunch Week, visit <https://schoolnutrition.org/nslw/>.

About Clayton County Public Schools

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited through Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 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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