

Sandusky City School District Urban, Sandusky, Ohio Erie County



Breakfast & Beyond-2021

Collaborators

- District Administrators, Teachers, Student Services
- Child Nutrition, Transportation, Support Staff
- Community Volunteers, Food Bank, Grants

School District Instructional & Meal Options

March 16,2020 thru June 5, 2020-Virtual Instruction

June 8,2020 thru August7, 2020- Summer Food Distribution

- Drive-through breakfast and lunch meals were distributed at 12 community sites.

September thru October,2020-Virtual & Hybrid Instruction

November thru January 13,2021-Virtual Instruction

- Drive-through breakfast and lunch meals were distributed at 16 community sites.

Goals

- Engage community partners to ensure students had access to breakfast and lunch.
- Utilize grants and community support to provide necessary equipment to package and serve meals.
- Provide proper sanitation and protocol to ensure safety of students and staff.

Results

- District served 2,700 meals daily from March 16th thru June 5th. 1200 to 1500 meals were served daily from June 8th thru November, 2020. District served 2800 meals daily from November thru January 13, 2021.

Sandusky City Schools attended an emergency meeting at the Sandusky City office on March 13, 2020. The Sandusky Police, Salvation Army, Parks and Recreation, Community Youth Mentoring, Nehemiah Center, Victory Kitchen, OHGO, New Day Day Care, Faith Memorial, PEDs on Wheels, City Manager, County Health Department, Center for Cultural Awareness, Student Services, Second Harvest and Sandusky Transit System met with the School Nutrition Department to determine community sites to distribute daily breakfast and lunch meals to students. 12 drive through community sites distributed breakfast and lunch meals from March 16th through August 7,2020. The district added 4 more community sites for a total of 16 sites to serve virtual students for SY 2020-2021.

The food service department prepared meals daily at the high school with staff from food service, transportation and Para's. Bus drivers brought totes stacked with meals to each site. Once school began in the fall, the community increased the number of distribution sites to increase student and parent participation. Bus drivers brought meals early in the morning and in the afternoon to accommodate parent schedules. Student services helped load totes to bring meals to homeless students in motels and shelters. Distribution of meals at sites were publicized through various organizations Facebook and webpages.

Grants helped cover costs of labor, office supplies, totes to transport meals, fuel and other equipment to properly maintain sanitation. The Department of Defense provided fruits and vegetables and totes were provided through Dairy Association for smoothies and milk. During the holidays the staff made 2,400 cut out cookies for students. Each student received 2 cut out cookies, frosting and sprinkles. Despite the weather, challenges with supplies, staffing and other changes the community and school staff pulled together to ensure students were fed during the pandemic.

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