# Food and Nutrition Services 2025-2026 Policy Guidelines

The Diocese of Lafayette Food and Nutrition Services is undergoing programmatic changes to better serve you and your child, attending Catholic schools. Please read carefully for policy changes effective for the 2025-2026 school year.



## Pre-Kindergarten through 8th grade students can bring their lunch from home without a diet modification form.

### If your child has a special dietary need, please fill out a 2025-2026 diet modification form.

FNS is happy to accommodate any special dietary need! Please fill out the 2025-2026 Diet Modification form which can be found on the FNS website. Please submit using the google form listed on the FNS web page or by using the QR code.



#### Review the FNS menu with your child on our website, fns-dol.org.

We encourage parents to review the menu with their children and foster excitement about what is being served on the menu. If your child is bringing a lunch from home, choose days where they want to eat in the cafeteria. The 2025-2026 menu will include our regular menu as well as the addition of our new "Lagniappe Choice" line with lighter fare options.

#### When planning a lunch from home, refer to the FNS Bag Lunch Guidelines.

- Due to student allergies, please do NOT send your child to school with foods containing nuts or peanuts.
- Microwaves will not be available to your child while at school. When packing your child's lunch from home, use ice packs or a thermos when appropriate in order to keep cold foods cold and hot foods hot.
- In the event that your child's bag lunch is left at home, your child will be served a meal from the cafeteria. Bag lunches will not be allowed to be dropped off at school once instruction time begins.
- Fast food packaging and logos are prohibited in the cafeteria per USDA guidelines.

#### Be on the lookout for the FNS newsletter, "St. Martha's Memo," coming to your inbox from your school's communication team.

Receive the FNS menu and other exciting news right in your inbox each month.

### Questions: nutrition@fns-dol.org

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