

# GROWING STUDENTS FOR A JUST AND SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

**Dear New Roots Community,**

Below you will find some answers to our most frequently asked questions. Please feel free to reach out to the front desk for more information if needed.

**Farm 2 School Meal Program:** We are really excited to inform you of our acceptance into the National School Lunch Program's Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the third year. CEP allows us to offer all students meals at *no charge to families.*

Breakfast is served from 8:30 till 9:10 in the lobby. We offer breakfast sandwiches, bagels with cream cheese, peanut butter, or butter, oatmeal, fruit, yogurt, house-made granola, and milk or juice. We are currently working on some exciting additions to breakfast.

Lunch is served at our cafeteria at St. Catherine's Church, down Seneca street across from Shortstop. All students will be traveling safely across the street for lunch. We offer soup, salad bar, an entrée, side vegetable, fresh fruit, juice, milk or water. We will always have a vegetarian or vegan option and have gluten-free choices for those who request it. If a student or parent feels the need all of our menu items are also available as a la carte options at an additional cost. Deposits to student accounts can be made in the cashier line at meals. Cash or checks are accepted. Student meal account numbers are the last 3 digits of the student ID and are available in the cashier line. Menus are posted on the Student & Family Resources page of our website and posted daily on the monitor in the lobby.

**Bus Passes:** Bus passes are free to students who qualify and are available at the Front Desk. For students who do not qualify the cost is \$30 for zone 1 and \$40 for zone 2 per semester. See below for how to qualify



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**Qualifying for free Bus Passes, Community Organization memberships, test fees, etc.:** To qualify for these services you must be directly certified through a statewide matching process we conduct 4 times a year or fill out a Household Income Eligibility Form. Once qualified students can access free bus passes, free or reduced test fees, and free or reduced memberships in community organizations (Science Center, PRI, The Youth Bureau, etc.)

**Lockers:** Lockers will be assigned to any student who would like one. We encourage students to get a locker so they keep their possessions safe. For students who do not bring their school assigned chromebook home it is required.

The process is simple and is handled by the Front Desk Staff. Students may sign their own locker agreement. All items left in lockers after the school year has ended will be donated.

**Chromebooks and GSuite for Education:** All students are assigned a Chromebook, Chromebook charger, and a Gsuite for education account. Students are responsible for the care and content of their Chromebook and account. For in-depth information about the student rights and responsibilities, Gsuite for education accounts, and the permission form please review our [2019-2020 Chromebook Acceptable Use Policy](#).

**Excusing your student's absence or tardiness:** If your student is absent or arrives late due to an excusable circumstance (an appointment, unforeseen events like car problems or traffic, illness) you may excuse them through the front desk staff in the following ways:

- Email [frontdesk@newrootsschool.org](mailto:frontdesk@newrootsschool.org)
- Call the front desk at 607-882-9220
- Send your student in with a note for the staff at the front desk

In the event that we do not receive an excuse, your student will be marked tardy or absent due to an unexcused circumstance.

