



Bernice MacNaughton High School

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Subject: New Brunswick's School Lunch Program – Information for Families

Dear Parents and Families,

We are pleased to share information about the new school lunch program being introduced across New Brunswick.

Bernice MacNaughton has been selected as a **prototype site**, and we are excited to begin the program on April 29th. This early start will help inform the broader rollout, with the full provincial program launching in **September**.

The School Lunch Program is designed to support student well-being and success by improving access to nutritious, affordable meals during the school day at a reduced fee for families. When students are well-nourished, they are better able to focus, learn, and participate fully in their school community. The program is built on a commitment to being inclusive, and stigma-free, ensuring that all students have access.

Program Overview

- Meals are available on school days
- A daily healthy meal option, or a vegetarian option is available to order
- Families pay:
 - \$4 per meal (Kindergarten–Grade 8)
 - \$5 per meal (Grades 9–12)
- The province covers the remaining cost

How to Order

Meals must be ordered in advance through the provider's ordering system. Please see the instructions from **Chartwells** attached to this email. Also attached is the sample menu for two weeks. Families can choose from menu A, B, or C.

We encourage families to review ordering timelines. The ordering system will be opened on **April 22nd**.

If you feel that payment is a barrier, please email Cynthia Clark cynthia.clark@nbed.nb.ca . Please put lunch program in the subject line. All requests will be handled with confidentiality.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.