

RPS News

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Changes In Food Service at RPS; USDA Requiring Families to Apply for Free or Reduced Cost Lunch

Ridgefield Public Schools announced this week that they have contracted with <u>Aramark</u> to be the District's new food service provider. Aramark's commitment to excellence, affordability, the environment, and diversity were all important in this decision.

RPS's new Director of Food Service, Eric Nickelson has worked for Aramark since 2009, when he started as a student worker. A native of South Dakota, Nickelson brings a strong work ethic, years of food experience, and a passion for collaboration to the District.



RPS Director of Finance, Jill Browne writes, "Families will see some new options in school menus. All schools will continue to utilize LunchTime SoftWare, so any balances from the prior year will be rolled into the current school year."

Families should note that the USDA recently announced that it was ending the free lunch program begun last year. RPS families who qualify for free or reduced lunch will need to fill out the form here.

Aramark will be hiring full and part-time servers starting next week. Some of RPS Food Services' best workers come from within our community. Workers enjoy the flexibility of being on their children's vacation schedule, paid time-off, and a great workplace environment. Please see this flyer for contact information and check the Food Services website for updated Aramark openings.