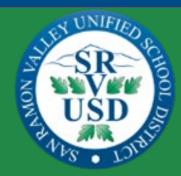
# **Child Nutrition Update**

March 29, 2022



# **Agenda**

Key Program
Conditions

Initial Findings

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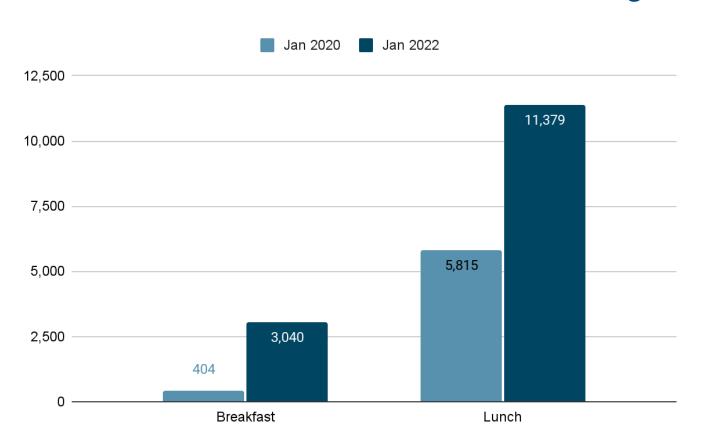
While we work on developing specific recommendations for program changes, there are specific influencing conditions that impact how and what changes will be made.

They are:

Staffing Capacity, Systems & Work Flow, Government Mandates (Reimbursement Rates & Programs), & Facility Constraints



### Continued Substantial Increase in Meals Being Served





# **Staffing Capacity**

We identified early on the need to transition to more scratch cooking recipes and less a la carte items.





# Staffing Capacity

Starting at DVHS, we are training staff on new culinary procedures and scratch made recipes.

Further, we are working with labor partners to find ways to attract more candidates.

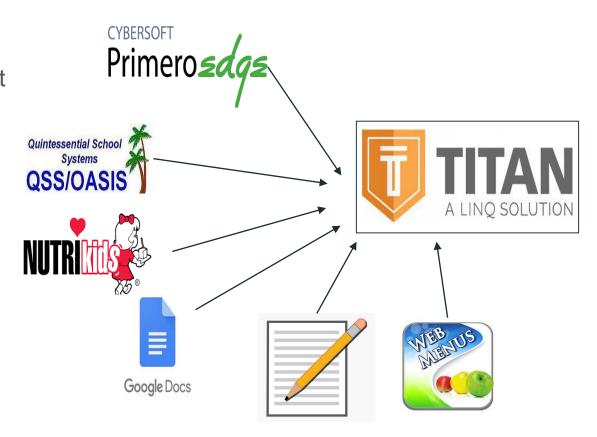






## Systems and Internal Work Flows

We are transitioning over to a new food service management software, where all our operations are managed in one place, with improved process flow and transparency.





# Government Mandates Past Two Years Reimbursement Rates

For the past two years, the Federal government has issues waivers and paid the majority of the funding for schools, and at a higher reimbursement rate.

	All Lunches Free Under Waivers	
Federal Rate	\$4.56	
State Rate	\$0.25	
Total Per Lunch	\$4.81	



# Government Mandates Next Year's Reimbursement Rates

Meals will continue to be free of charge for all students, however, our reimbursement rate per meal will decrease significantly next year.

Total Per Lunch Reimbursement Per Category	\$3.98	\$3.98	\$3.98
State (Universal Meals)	\$0.00	\$0.40	\$3.06
State (Prop 98)	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$0.25
Federal	\$3.73	\$3.33	\$0.42
	Free Rate	Reduced Rate	Full Pay Rate

### Government Mandates - District Wide Breakfast

California is requiring breakfast programs at a schools. We are exploring how we will meet this mandate, we currently have breakfast at one Elementary school and so will need to expand.



### **Facilities**

Our central production facilities will need to be expanded for next year.

Further, at many secondary schools, we have outgrown our serving areas, and are now serving in the MPRs.



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## Engagement & Research Thus Far

Six workshops held thus far, two with each group.

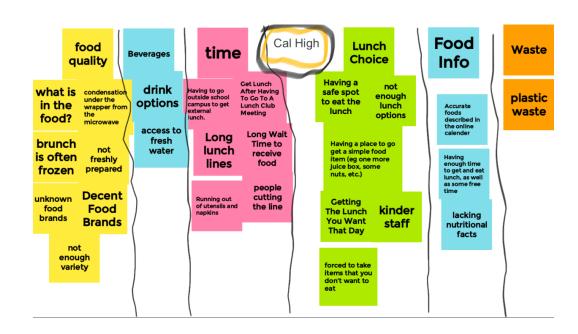
- 18 High School students
- 25 Middle School students
- 32 Parents & Caregivers

Child Nutrition sessions and parent survey.





### **INSERT PICS FROM WORKSHOPS**



## Top Themes from Initial Research

Five major themes continually came up across all engagement.

**Food Quality** 

Menu Variety

Food & Nutrition Education

Lines & Times - specific to High School

Waste

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Using the SRVUSD's strategic directions, we are starting to build out our student centered strategic plan.



### San Ramon Valley Unified School District Strategic Directions

Built on a foundation of academic excellence, we are broadening our definition of *success*.

Success means our teams create and nurture:

Ensure students have access to high quality, culturally appropriate meals



#### **Equity**

We will ensure all students are mpowered to reach their full potential by valuing student voice, addressing systemic inequities, and closing opportunity gaps.



#### Social Emotional Well-Being

We are committed to creating and nurturing inclusive learning environments where all students, staff, and families feel deeply connected to their school community.



#### **Deep Learning and Innovation**

We will create learning environments that empower students to own their learning so they find purpose, meaning, and joy in their education and excel in post-high school endeavors.



#### **Shared Leadership**

We will create the conditions for shared leadership by building a culture of trust, collegiality, and shared responsibility with students, staff, and families.



Bring students together for meals in a joyful way and students feel connection to the food they eat





We will maximize resources including time, talent and finances, to advance our student success goals.



#### **Culture of Responsiveness**

We will effectively serve all stakeholders by listening, responding promptly, changing practices when appropriate, and communicating the rationale for decisions so students remain the focus of our efforts.

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## **Next Steps**



We have aligned on the major areas of need, we are now in the process of developing solutions and strategies of how to meet the need. This also includes developing an operations and financial model that supports it.

Some parts will be fully implemented next year, some will take several years to fully implement.