

HPHS Cafeteria Kitchen Renovation & Modified Service

MODIFIED CAFETERIA SERVICE	
<i>Beginning Tuesday, February 17</i>	
BREAKFAST	7:30 am-8:20 am
Limited menu including bagels, biscuits, cereal & Chick-fil-A chicken biscuits	
LUNCH	4 th , 5 th & 6 th periods
Daily: freshly-made sandwiches, wraps, salads, fruit & snacks	
Mondays – Domino’s	Thursdays – Goff’s
Tuesdays – Subway	Fridays – Chick-fil-A
Wednesdays – Domino’s	
<i>Juniors have the option to leave campus for lunch only during the modified cafeteria service</i>	

In November 2024, our community approved a bond to support the district and all campuses. One of the designated bond projects is the renovation of the Highland Park High School kitchen and serving area. This project includes a redesigned layout and updated equipment to improve functionality and service. In addition, the HPHS PTA will fund new lighting, acoustical panels, and furniture for the dining area to further enhance the space for students and staff.

With much planning and coordination among VLK Architects, HPISD and HPHS administrators, and the HPHS PTA, the renovation is planned to begin this February and end in early August, in time for the start of the 2026-2027 school year. **While the renovation is underway, we will continue to serve our students in the cafeteria dining area, with**

certain modifications to our food offerings. Here are further details about the modified service below:

Cafeteria Renovation Timeline:

- Last Day of Regular Cafeteria Service: Friday, February 13
- First Day of Modified Cafeteria Service: Tuesday, February 17 (note that Monday, February 16 is a student holiday).
- Modified service will continue through the end of the school year, and the renovation is planned to be complete in August 2026 at the start of the 2026-2027 school year with regular service resuming then.
- This summer, in addition to ongoing construction in the kitchen and serving area, work will begin in the dining area to replace the Market, dining flooring, overhead lighting, and acoustical panels. The dining area in addition to the kitchen will be closed over the summer.

Cafeteria Hours:

During the modified service, meal service hours will remain the same each school day:

Breakfast - 7:30 - 8:20 am

Lunch - service during 4th, 5th, and 6th periods

Meals during the Modified Service:

During the time of construction, the kitchen and serving area will be closed and students will be served in the dining area at temporary stations and at the Market. Our cafeteria staff will be able to utilize a smaller kitchen located in the Clements Center to prepare fresh and nutritious grab-and-go options for our students each school day.

Additionally, vendors will cater lunch as we will not be able to prepare hot lunches.

Breakfast Meals (7:30 - 8:20 am each school day):

Breakfast options will include bagels, biscuits, cereal, and Chick-fil-A chicken biscuits.

Lunch Meals (4th, 5th, and 6th periods each school day):

The Market will continue to be open serving freshly-made sandwiches, wraps, salads, fruit, and snacks. Additionally, we will have the following vendors catering:

Mondays - Domino's
Tuesdays - Subway
Wednesdays - Domino's
Thursdays - Goff's
Fridays - Chick-fil-A

Drink Options (each school day):

We plan to sell water, Gatorade, tea, and milk. Please visit Scottie Joe's in the MAPS area on Tuesdays through Fridays from 9:00 am to 1:45 pm for your coffee, hot chocolate, and excellent service! Additionally, vending machines will continue to be in service throughout the modified service.

Menus will continue to be available on [Nutrislice](#).

As always, students have the option to bring their lunch from home. Please note that food deliveries to students are not permitted.

Parent Volunteers:

Parent volunteers remain essential to the success and efficiency of our student service each school day. We will continue to need every parent cafeteria volunteer to fulfill their shifts through the remainder of the year. For the renovation period, all substitute requests will be coordinated through our Cafeteria Volunteer Chair, Margarita Coale. If you need a substitute, please email her at cafevolunteer@hphspta.org. The sub feature in SignUp will be offline during the renovation; however, you may still sign up for open shifts on [SignUp.com](#). We greatly appreciate your continued support serving our Scots!

Juniors have the Option to Leave Campus during their Lunch Period:

During the modified service beginning Tuesday, February 17, juniors—along with seniors—will have the option to leave campus for lunch. Upon leaving and returning, junior and senior students must present their school-issued ID card. Sophomores and freshmen must continue to remain on campus for lunch. Please note that off-campus lunch for juniors is temporary and applies only during the renovation period. Beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, only seniors will have the privilege of leaving campus for lunch.

Payment for meals:

Students will continue to pay for their meals using their school lunch accounts. You can fund your student's lunch account through Skyward. Please find funding instructions [HERE](#).

Banquets:

Banquets during the school year for booster clubs and school events will continue to be held in the cafeteria dining area throughout the renovation. All food must be catered, as the kitchen and serving area will be closed during this time.

While we have worked to address all anticipated questions, we recognize that additional inquiries may arise. We encourage you to reach out to us directly. Direct communication ensures clarity, minimizes misinformation, and allows us to promptly address any details we may have overlooked. Additional communication, including any updates or other relevant information, will continue to be shared as available.

We know our Scots will enjoy their new cafeteria space! Thank you for your support and patience and....Go Scots!

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