## Memo

**To:** Parents and Guardians

From: Chippewa Valley Food Service

Date: September 9, 2024

Subject: Transition to Standardized Gluten-Free Menu

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this message finds you well. As part of our commitment to providing nutritious and accommodating meals for all students, we want to inform you of an important update regarding our gluten-free meal options.

Due to the significant increase in the need for specialized diets and to ensure that we can effectively and efficiently meet all dietary requirements, we will be transitioning from personalized gluten-free menus to a standardized gluten-free menu. This change will help us better manage the increased demand while maintaining the high quality and safety of our meal offerings.

## **Key Points of the Change:**

- **Standardized Menu:** The new gluten-free menu will be designed to meet a broad range of gluten-free needs while ensuring that all meals are safe and nutritious.
- **Implementation Date:** The transition to the standardized menu will take effect on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.
- **Current Menu:** Until the new menu is implemented, personalized gluten-free meal requests will continue to be accommodated.

## **Action Required:**

To assist us in providing the best possible service and to ensure that your child receives their gluten-free meals without any issues, please let us know if and when your student(s) will be eating on which days. This information will help us streamline our service and make the transition smoother for everyone. Please have updated Special Diet Forms on file to accommodate all special diets and allergies. This form may be found on our website.

For any questions or concerns, or to provide your child's meal schedule, please contact Brittany Damerow, RDN, SNS, at (586) 723-2106 or via email at bdamerow@cvs.k12.mi.us.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we make this adjustment to better serve our students.

Warm regards,

Chippewa Valley Food Service