

OKALOOSA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT Gratitude for Food Service Staff



Okaloosa County School District, along with many other districts throughout the United States, learned on March 13 that their schools would be closed for an unknown amount of time. At Okaloosa, the plan was to provide meals for students to pick up beginning March 18. In just 5 short days, The Nutrition Group's on-site food service management team retooled the entire operation to get a crew on board, determine what foods to serve and coordinate with vendors to make it happen.

Initially, 10 sites were opened where parents could make one trip for Grab and Go breakfasts and lunches. By the second week, 15 locations were open and 14,000 meals were being distributed. Fast forward to Week 8 where 237,000 meals (and counting!) have been served!

Amber Flenniken, Okaloosa Food Services General Manager, reports that the most rewarding part of all this is seeing the smiling faces of all the children they're able to provide food for, and the expressions of gratitude that we've shared here with you.



Dear OCSD Food Service Dept.
On behalf of the staff + volunteers,
we thank you for planning, providing +
executing the meals for the children
all over Okaloosa County. We know
this is no small task and we see
how much you are doing to ensure
no child goes hungry during this time.
We are thinking of all of you + appreciate
you all so much!
The ECCAC Team

