

# AVONDALE FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES NEWSLETTER

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## Summer Enrichment

### MIDDLE SCHOOL COOKING CLASS

We had a blast with our second year teaching a summer enrichment course with our middle school students! We learned how to make several meals at home from scratch, including pizza. Students also helped prepare & serve a catering for Oakland Schools Staff. The class finished with a cupcake bakeoff! Thank you to special judges Denise Scrase & Mr. Cornwell for helping choose our winner.



## Welcome Back Breakfast

The Welcome Back Breakfast has turned into an annual tradition at Avondale. It's wonderful to reconnect with our colleagues and share a delightful meal together. We were thrilled to offer delicious food along with that essential coffee boost.



## Boosting Breakfast

Increase of  
**34%**  
from last  
year

The Breakfast Cart in the hallways has been extremely beneficial in helping us increase access to breakfast for our high school students. We will also begin offering 2<sup>nd</sup> chance breakfast between passing time to further boost access to a nutritious breakfast.



## Things Are Buzzin' Again in The Bee Hive!



This summer brought a big refresh to our student store, opening for business for the 1st time since the pandemic. More upgrades are coming shortly, including new carpet and updated signs to finish the transformation.





# Farmers Market

The Avondale Farmers Market was back for its 2<sup>nd</sup> year! Every Avondale 5<sup>th</sup> grader was allowed to pick fresh produce to take home & they also learned how food grows & got to sample tons of tasty fruits & veggies.



"Who wants to pet the chicken?"



## Tasting Events

Our student pop up events have been a hit! We've sampled Butternut Squash Soup at Auburn, Mac & Cheese made with butternut squash at Graham & visited Ms. Akers TK Class at Deerfield for apple crunch day!



## Holiday Bakery

Director Susan Meek scared up some spooky treats for our 1<sup>st</sup> Holiday Bakery! Staff were able to order a variety of delicious treats. We look forward to offering another holiday market during December.

