



Dining Services Committee Agenda

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

Events/Promotions

DSC Agenda/Minutes

Begin – 2:00 PM

End – 2:35 PM

Mugs for First Year Students on the Carte Blanche meal plan available for pick-up at The Atrium at Eickhoff, TDubs, and the C-Store. Not a First Year Student? Mugs are available for purchase at the C-Store and the Library Café. This mug is the only beverage vessel approved to be used at the Library!

Welcome Week – Any feedback, can be personal or something you heard from other students, what worked and what didn't work, etc.

Comment: Student that is also Community Advisor participated in Welcome Week and felt that the program went very well.

American Heartland Cooking Class on September 20 in The 1855 Room – time TBD! Featuring Chicken Pot Pie and Apple Cheddar Pie.

Retail

1. TDubs

- Monday Night Football – Join us Monday nights in TDubs and enjoy good food and good company while watching the game! Specials TBD
- Taco Tuesdays are back at TDubs!
- Smoothies are now available at TDubs starting at 12:00PM!

2. Traditions

- Traditions Express – Select items from the Traditions menu are available to-go at the window.
- Exciting new menu items at Traditions – have you tried any yet?

Comment: Student Government representative shared that there has been some negative feedback from students regarding the new Traditions Express menu.

Response: Chef Frank replied that the shortened menu was created based on feedback regarding long wait times for custom-prepared food and learning that some of the offerings did not travel well – affecting the overall quality and presentation of the food. Traditions Express may not be the best choice for students who have limited time. There are other options on campus. Students who want the full range of choices can still do so in the Traditions restaurant or visit Traditions Express in non “rush” hours.

3. Food Court

- Now offering Mindful pizzettas at Pizza & Pasta Co.

Comment: The Lion’s Den manager Stuart Ringleheim added that the Mindful pizzettas are no longer offered at Fresh Pride Café. Instead, they have been relocated to Pizza & Pasta Co. at The Lion’s Den Food Court.

Resident Dining

1. The 1855 Room

- CityScapes: Austin was today from 11:30AM – 2:00PM. Each month, The 1855 Room will highlight cuisine from a featured city. Next month will be Boston on October 4. As always, all students, faculty, and staff are invited to dine at the 1855 Room.
- Chef Spotlight: Lonnie Cain – Wednesday, September 13 from 11:30AM – 2:00PM – will be featuring Antipasti Salad, Stuffed Flank Steak, Manicotti with Marinara Sauce, Sausage and Fennel Risotto, Grilled Balsamic Zucchini, and Tiramisu!
- Action Stations at The 1855 Room – September 13 will be Banana Fosters and September 28 will be Cherries Jubilee.
- Unity Week set to run from September 25 to September 29 featuring cuisine from the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Madagascar and cuisine from Native American culture as well as Soul Food.

2. The Atrium at Eickhoff

- Hot Dog Day is on September 10 from 11:00AM – 2:00PM where a Chicago Style Hot Dog will be available at C-Street Grill!
- Ice Cream Cone Day will be on September 22 from 11:00AM – 2:00PM where students can dip and load their ice cream with toppings at Bliss Bakery!
- Constitution Day Cookout will be on September 17 from 4:00PM to 9:00PM featuring favorite BBQ foods at Quimby's Kitchen and C-Street Grill. Cupcakes and apple pie at Bliss Bakery!
- Make Your Own Whoopie Pies will be available as an Action Station from 12:00PM – 2:00PM on September 19.
- Hispanic Heritage Dinner, co-sponsored by Union Latina, will be on September 27 from 4:00PM – 9:00PM

TCNJ Catering

- All students and student groups are eligible for 20% off their food orders through TCNJ Catering – great for meetings, events, socials and more!
- NEW! Flavours of Autumn – Limited Time Offers now available – contact Catering or visit our website.

Dietitian Events

- Samantha Romeo – Campus Nutrition Manager
- Meatless Mondays are back at the Atrium at Eickhoff – great effort to promote sustainability on campus.
- Eat Right @ Eick: Smart Snacking on September 7 from 11:00 – 2:00PM featuring a Cinnamon Apple Trifle
- Nutrition 101: C-Store Recipe for September features Krispy Kale Chips – grab your recipe card at the C-Store today!
- Roscoe's Healthy Corner – new concept in the C-Store!
 - *Roscoe the Lion would like to introduce Roscoe's Healthy Corner in the C-Store where you can find not only healthful foods, but foods that are dietary restriction friendly too! Here in Roscoe's Healthy Corner we carry products that are gluten-free, organic, vegan, and nutrition forward. For a quick grab and go snack, or a pantry staple, check out Roscoe's Healthy Corner to jump start the semester. Looking for a product that you don't see? Have questions about food allergies, health, or wellness? Feel free to reach out to sdhrd@tcnj.edu to connect with our Registered Dietitian.*
- Mindful Mile – first mile will be on September 11 featuring Roscoe the Lion! Join us for fresh air and have the opportunity to ask our Registered Dietitian Samantha Romeo any questions you may have about mindful eating, nutrition, or exercise!

Question & Answer – We invite students, faculty, and staff to share any comments, concerns, or suggestions they may have – what they would like to see in one of the dining locations, etc.

Date	Issue	Response	Results
9/6/2017	Concern: Student asked why the Whoopie Pie event in The Atrium at Eickhoff is only scheduled from 12pm to 2pm rather than all day.	Thank you for expressing your concern. We reported that it was offered to impact the most students while avoiding high volume activities in the cafeteria.	The program offerings will be reviewed during the course of the year.
9/6/2017	Comment and suggestion: Student with food allergies expressed sincere appreciation for the new offerings in the C-Store that are gluten- and dairy-free. Student requested that Ego Waffles (gluten-free) are superior to the current offering and asked if it was possible to offer small coconut milks for those with allergies to dairy and soy.	Thank you for sharing your comments, we are very pleased to hear that the new offerings in the C-Store are being well received. We will look into these options.	Jennifer Armstrong is currently looking into acquiring gluten-free Ego Waffles for the C-Store and will also investigate options for small coconut milks.

9/6/2017	<p>Question: Student queried why the mugs are for first year students only. Literature says that they are also available to all Carte Blanche meal plan holders.</p>	<p>Thank you for your question. We wanted to encourage students to keep their mugs from year-to-year. Because the mugs must be spill-proof (to be used in the Library), they are very expensive. Reusable containers are also going to be introduced later this year.</p>	<p>Patrice Mendes will look into this concern and provide an update.</p>
9/6/2017	<p>Concern: Student expressed that fellow students are unhappy with the new sushi provider at The Lion's Den – they have been rude to students. Also expressed that the staff at the register have been rude.</p>	<p>Thank you for expressing your concerns and experiences. We explained that the previous vendor is no longer working at the sushi station at the food court.</p>	<p>Stuart Ringelheim will speak to the staff to ensure a better student experience.</p>
9/6/2017	<p>Concern: Student expressed concern that healthy items are gone from the salad bars at The Atrium at Eickhoff and The Lion's Den such as almonds and sunflower seeds. Additionally, there have been limited offerings of Greek yogurt at Fresh Pride Café and carrot/celery stick snacks.</p>	<p>Thank you for sharing your concern. We explained the problems with cross contamination and the high number of students with nut allergies. Nuts are available elsewhere in individual packaging as well as individual glass containers at Fresh Pride Café.</p>	<p>Management for Eickhoff, The Lion's Den, and Fresh Pride Café will look into alternative locations or separate vessels to bring back these salad offerings while ensuring food safety for those with allergies. Management will also ensure Greek yogurt is stocked at all available locations.</p>

9/6/2017	Compliment: Student expressed great satisfaction with the guacamole offering this year at 31 North Deli in The Atrium at Eickhoff.	Thank you for the positive feedback!	No action required.
9/6/2017	Concern: Student said they were unhappy that hot sauce and buffalo sauce were not available at C-Street Grill in The Atrium at Eickhoff.	Thank you for your concern. We explained that the buffalo sauce pump broke and has been reordered. Hot sauce is available with other condiments at 93.1 Wokery.	Hot sauce will return when the new equipment arrives, Ronald Pritchard will be monitoring this.
9/6/2017	Suggestion: Student asked if sesame-ginger dressing could be added to the salad bar at The Atrium at Eickhoff.	Thank you for your suggestion. We will look into food allergy issues as well as the possibility.	Ronald Pritchard will look into this request.

9/6/2017	Concern: Student explained that a fellow student paid \$15 for a container of yogurt and fruit from Fresh Pride Café and fruit and felt the price was excessive.	Thank you for expressing your concern. We explained that the price for items from the salad bar are based on weight and will look into the cost/weight and see if any modifications need to be made.	Stuart Ringelheim will investigate this concern.
9/6/2017	Request: Student asked if Nutella could be offered at The Atrium at Eickhoff	Thank you for your question. We will look into the option, but it does fall into the concern for nut allergies.	Ronald Pritchard will look into this request.
9/6/2017	Question: Why are vanilla and chocolate the only options in the ice cream swirl machine at The Atrium at Eickhoff?	Thank you for asking. The current equipment only allows for these 2 options.	When new equipment is required, this will be a consideration.

9/6/2017	Request: Student asked to reserve two tables (one for Republicans and another for Democrats) for Constitution Day.	Thank you for your request. We can easily do that.	Ronald Pritchard will reserve two tables by the entrance for these student groups.
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****Our next Dining Services Committee meeting will take place on
Wednesday, September 13 at 5pm at The 1855 Room****

*All meeting times, dates, and locations can be found at our website:
<https://tcnj.sodexomyway.com/community/committee.html>*