Elementary School Principal Update

February 12, 2023

Our students folding and honoring the flag!

Abby Kelley Foster Charter Elementary

Flying our Flag!

ALICE Drill

This past Friday, the Elementary school had an ALICE drill. A third of the classes practiced evacuating (just outside to the grassy area along New Bond St.) while the rest practiced the enhanced lockdown. All staff and students knew about the drill in advance and did a wonderful job. The entire drill lasted less than 5 minutes. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Mrs. Giusto (JGiusto@akfcs.org).

Character Virtue of the Month=True Friendship

At Abby Kelley, we believe that True Friendship teaches us how to love others who are not our family. A true friendship makes life easier and gives us better times.
In the spirit of True Friendship, we are celebrating Friendship Day on Tuesday, February 14th. Please note that classrooms may be celebrating in different ways. Typically, students

exchange cards with their friends. We encourage families to send in these cards without candy attached. If your student does receive any candy, it will be sent home with them that day.

Families with MassHealth Need to Renew Coverage

Families with MassHealth need to renew their coverage this year in order to maintain coverage. Coverage protections put in place during the pandemic will end soon, and MassHealth will return to standard annual eligibility renewal processes. Any **MassHealth families** need to take the following steps:

- **Update contact information** – make sure MassHealth has your most up-to-date address, phone number, and email so that you do not miss important information and notices about what else is needed.
- **Report household changes** to make sure MassHealth knows about any changes in your household, like a new job, address, changes to income, disability status, or pregnancy.

More information is available on the MassHealth's Redetermination website.

This Week

- Tuesday, February 14th: Abby Kelley celebrates Friendship Day!
- Friday, February 17th: Kindergarten and Grade 1 Assembly for Students/ Dental Sealant day for registered students
- No School the week of February 20th-24th

Abby Kelley Foster Charter Public School
K-3rd Grade Breakfast Menu
February 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 Cereal (Variety) Graham Crackers Fresh Apple Orange Juice Choice of Milk	2 Granola Strawberry Yogurt Diced Peaches Blended Fruit Juice Choice of Milk	3 WG Honey Bun Fresh Banana Orange Juice Choice of Milk
6 Cereal (Variety) Graham Crackers Fresh Apple Grape Juice Choice of Milk	7 WG Honey Bun Mixed Fruit Blended Fruit Juice Choice of Milk	8 Strawberry yogurt Granola Diced Peaches Orange Juice Choice of Milk	9 Cereal (Variety) WG Banana Muffin Diced Pears Apple Juice Choice of Milk	10 Apple Cinnamon Break Bar WG Blueberry Muffin Fresh Banana Grape Juice Choice of Milk
13 Cereal (Variety) Graham Crackers Diced Peaches Orange Juice Choice of Milk	14 WG Honey Bun Fresh Orange Apple Juice Choice of Milk	15 Cereal (Variety) WG Banana Muffin Fresh Apple Grape Juice Choice of Milk	16 Strawberry Break Bar Fresh Banana Blended Fruit Juice Choice of Milk	17 WG Honey Bun Applesauce Grape Juice Choice of Milk
20 Choice of Variety	21 Choice of Variety	22 Choice of Variety	23 Choice of Variety	24
27 Cereal (Variety) Graham Crackers Diced Peaches Apple Juice Choice of Milk	28 Strawberry Break Bar Diced Pears Blended Fruit Juice Choice of Milk			

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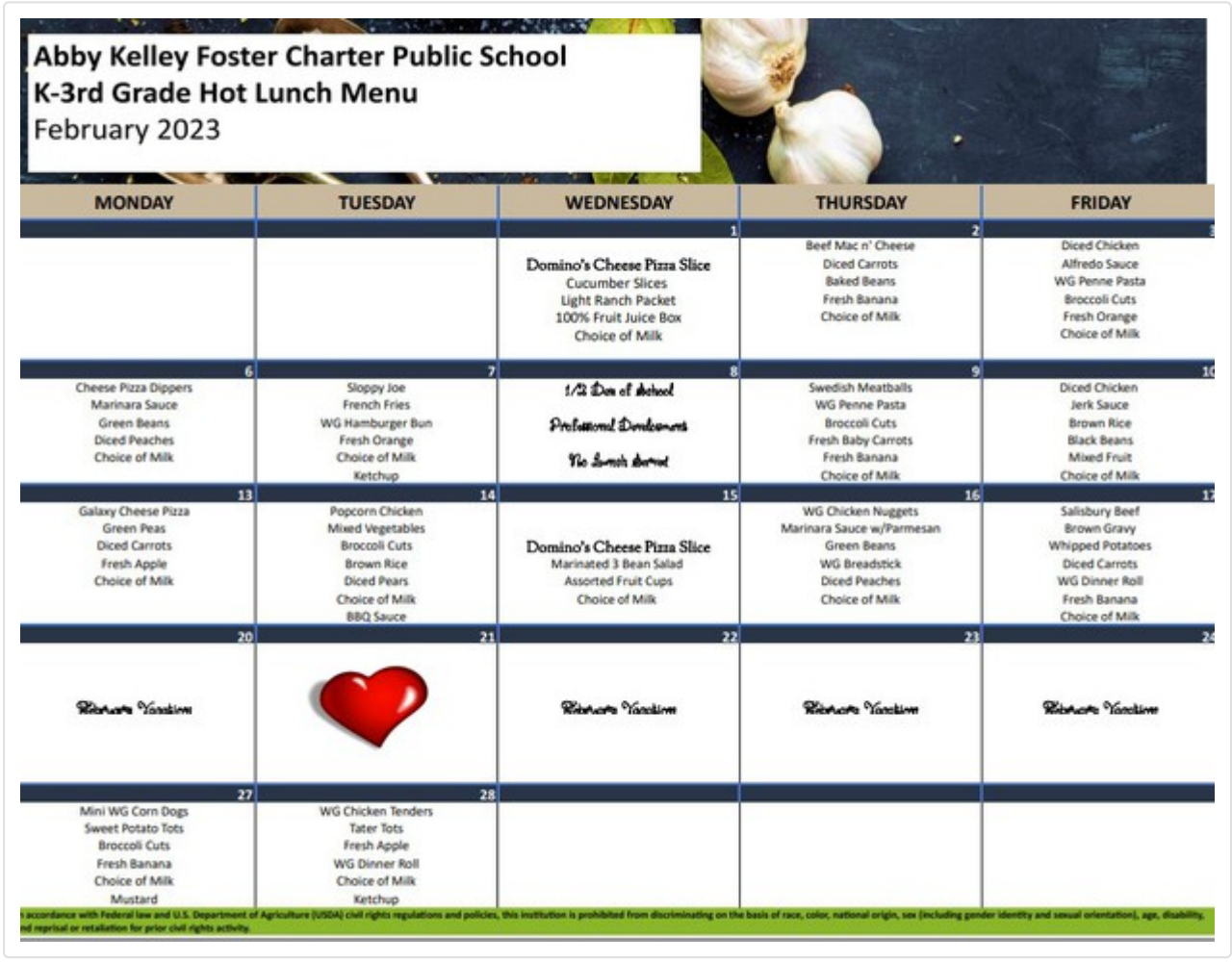

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Winter Gear

We will continue to go outside for recess as much as possible, even as the weather gets colder. The students love to get outside and run, swing, and move their bodies! Please send them to school with a warm jacket, hat, and gloves each day. If students are wearing appropriate snow gear, including snow pants and boots, they will be allowed to play in the snow. All other students will still be going outside, but will play on the blacktop area or basketball court. You may choose to leave a pair of snow pants and boots at school for your student to wear at recess.

If you would like assistance with getting cold weather clothing, please contact our guidance department at kstockwell@akfcs.org or swoods@akfcs.org.