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## Norfolk Public Schools to Add Three Sites for Food Distribution

NORFOLK, VA – Starting on Thursday, March 19, Norfolk Public Schools (NPS) will add three more sites to the 12 locations currently serving grab-n-go breakfast and lunch. According to John W. Hazelette, acting deputy superintendent of operations, this decision to expand was made to better serve Norfolk families who might need this service.

NPS School Nutrition staff will pack meals and load them on a school bus. The bus will deliver meals to the three new sites on the following schedule on weekdays through Friday, March 27:

- Titustown Recreation Center (7545 Diven St., 23505) at 11 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- Huntersville Community Center (830 Goff St., 23504) at 12 noon 12:30 p.m.
- Grandy Village Recreation Center (3017 Kimball Terrace, 23504) at 1 p.m. 1:30 p.m.

The 12 food distribution sites located at schools will continue to operate weekdays from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. through March 27. Those sites are: Azalea Gardens Middle School, Booker T. Washington High School, Camp Allen Elementary, Coleman Place Elementary, James Monroe Elementary, Lake Taylor School, Norview Elementary, Oceanair Elementary, P.B. Young Elementary, Southside STEM Academy, St. Helena Elementary, and Suburban Park Elementary. If it becomes necessary to extend the closure an additional week, meal services will be provided through Friday, April 3, 2020.

The meal bags at all sites contain one complete breakfast and one complete lunch, pre-packed by School Nutrition staff, and will be provided without charge, one per child. Children must be present to receive a meal bag. The bags are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability, and there will be no discrimination during the course of the meal service.

To get the latest news about Norfolk Public Schools and the coronavirus disease, please visit the NPS <u>Coronavirus Update</u> webpage.

**NOTE:** Due to rapidly changing circumstances, the school sites' times and dates are subject to change. Updates will be posted on the NPS division webpage and social media channels.

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