

To better support students, principals who are not currently utilizing the cafeteria for the hot meal-service model should consider transitioning back to this traditional model. The cafeteria can be safely used when adhering to all health and safety protocols, including social distancing, ensuring appropriate movement in and out of the cafeteria space, and avoiding mixing of cohorts to the greatest extent possible. During meals and snacks, students should be directed not to share food or beverages. To create a safe environment for students to eat in the cafeteria, school administrators should ensure the following:

- Designate a separate area or tables for students with known food allergies;
- Ensure that students are monitored for proper hygiene and social distancing at mealtimes in a non-discriminatory manner.

For questions, contact your school food manager.