CELEBRATING OUR SCHOOL LUNCH HEROES

May 1 is School Lunch Hero Day, and we're saluting the dedicated school nutrition professionals everywhere. We've provided 20 million meals to students in hundreds of school districts across the country since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic and we couldn't do it without our "hairnet heroes". Read the [press release](#) and [watch the video](#).

"The health and wellbeing of students and staff in Chicago Public Schools is always our top priority. Since the temporary closure of our schools due to COVID-19, Aramark has been instrumental in aligning our operations to keep Chicago residents in need fed and nourished. Our program is executing one of the nation's most ambitious meal programs and has served more than eight million meals".

Crystal Cooper, Executive Director, Nutritional Support Services
Chicago Public Schools

SPEAKING OF HEROES...

Every Day, Aramark Teams Are Stepping Up
SUPERHEROES AT ATRIUM HEALTH CLEVELAND, NC
We manage environmental services (EVS) programs in 21 hospitals for Atrium Health, which is based in Charlotte, NC. The Atrium Health Cleveland leadership team is very focused on maintaining a high level of engagement during what is a continually growing challenge: we require a highly focused approach to providing COVID-19 services along with our standard day-to-day services. Cleveland’s GM, Will (aka Captain Oxycide) Smith, decided to spread joy while engaging leadership, peers, guests and patients. The zest these Aramark leaders brought to Atrium Health Cleveland not only helped lighten the mood, it also enhanced client relationships.

To showcase the level of effort being put forth by our Facilities team to properly clean the Providence, RI schools, the school district shared this video.
IN OSWEGO, NY
The team at Seneca Hill Manor, part of the Oswego Health System, geared up to keep their long-term care residents safe. They also served complimentary sandwiches and fruit to the staff working weekends, so the hard-working healthcare teams could grab a bite to eat while taking a break during their shifts.

ADAPTING FOR THE DENVER COMMUNITY
The Denver Coliseum has been converted into a shelter for the homeless population of Denver, and our Facilities team has been there helping from day one. Now that the shelter is operational, it is the team’s responsibility to sanitize and stock the restrooms on a consistent basis, as well as clean, sanitize and maintain all common and staff areas. We equipped staff with the proper personal protective equipment such as face masks, gloves, scrubs, etc. and provided training, allowing us to adapt and serve the community.

If you and your colleagues want to share the good things you’re doing during this challenging time, send your stories and photos to internalcommunications@aramark.com.

IN THE NEWS...
The good news keeps coming! Here’s a sampling of the positive news coverage our team’s efforts have received:

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The Associated Press chose to highlight one amazing Aramark/Chicago Public Schools (CPS) Dining Manager in a recently released video diary. Juan Burrell, the School Dining Manager at Chavez E.S. in Chicago, along with his team, prepare over 2,400 grab-and-go meals every day for any family in the community who needs them — a relatively small yet powerful piece of the more than seven million meals CPS has provided families over the past two months.

TEAM AT ODU COOKS FOR ITS OWN

Inside ODU (Virginia) ran this great story:

When the majority of Old Dominion University's campus dining halls and restaurants closed due to the coronavirus pandemic, Aramark at ODU ensured its 620 employees were taken care of in a familiar way: It cooked for them. Aramark has provided meals for all of its employees and their families since March 26. The meals feed a family of four adults for a week. Employees can pick up meals three times a week. Monday's and Wednesday's pickup covers two days of meals and Friday's pickup covers meals through the weekend.

LOTS OF MEALS AT LOCKHEED MARTIN

This story appeared on Lockheed Martin's website: At Lockheed Martin Headquarters,
lunches for a local Bethesda, Maryland hospital, and various charitable organizations from April 6 until May 8. Suburban Hospital, Bethesda Cares, the National Center for Children and Families and the Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless all received donated meals.

FOOD DONATIONS CONTINUE

Grand Valley Next, the online news of Grand Valley State University in Michigan, said thousands of pounds of food from the campus dining locations have been donated to help those in need. An initial 4,000 pounds of food were donated to Feeding America West Michigan when the campus shifted to remote learning, and another 1,000 pounds were donated this week for area service workers who have been laid off as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

SOCIAL SPOTLIGHTS

WHAT ARE YOUR CO-WORKER(S) DOING?
Pam Lyons, Content Manager, said her co-worker Wendy, above, protects the ethernet cable Pam needs to work from home.

We received LOTS of photos of co-workers. Here are a few. Watch for more photos in upcoming issues of Mark Online. And send your co-worker’s photo to us at internalcommunications@aramark.com.

Tobi McAdam, Operations Manager, Canada East, says his co-worker Maverick is patiently waiting for social distancing to end. He’s heard great things about doggie daycare and dog parks, but hasn’t been able to go.

Marketing Communications Specialist for Higher Ed, Nicole Milliken, says Stella Blue, left, was annoyed that he got caught shirking his responsibilities for a cat nap. Meanwhile, Lucy, right, is in charge of clipping coupons, but decided that task was (literally) beneath him.

SELF-CARE CORNER

HELPFUL RESOURCES:
Subscribe to our email list.
Our training team at Aramark shared these tools that can help you as you're sheltering in place:

- **Leading Virtual Meetings microcourse** — This 10-minute course provides tips and guidance for running effective virtual meetings.
- **Playworks Play at Home** — For those looking for ways to keep their kids active while they're out of school, these 5-to-10-minute sessions focus on helping elementary school-aged kids and parents too. Live-streamed "recess" takes place at noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. ET.

Our Employee Resource Groups have also been conducting events, including this one:

- April 30 – Dining-In for Life with Pride East Coast (including central time zone) and West Coast (including mountain time zone) – a virtual dinner party in lieu of Dining Out for Life

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