

Duval County

Chapter Chatter - February



Smoothie Station Sampling

On February 5, students at Mandarin High School sampled our new smoothies during lunch service and provided feedback on adding these dairy-based fruit smoothies as a potential grab-and-go lunch item.

According to our survey, the most popular flavor was the strawberry banana with 66 percent of students saying it was good or great. Over 81 percent of students responded that they would likely or very likely select a smoothie as a meal if it were offered on their lunch menu. Early data suggests piloting the Smoothie Station at Mandarin High School would likely be a success.

Global Eats

Take a trip around the world with Chartwells' new award-winning Global Eats program. Created in partnership with a series of celebrity chefs who specialize in global cuisines, this program invites students on a journey to explore the unique ingredients and authentic flavors from cuisines around the world while encouraging them to eat together, tasting new foods and learning about different cultures.



Global Eats Food Truck Challenge

As part of this new program, we invited our high school culinary students to compete in our Global Eats Food Truck Challenge to see who can replicate one of our globally inspired recipes to be added to our food truck. Six teams competed and the top two scoring teams will advance to our championship in March where they will go head-to-head to see who can reign supreme.

Global Eats Sampling

On February 9, we hosted a sampling event at Mandarin High School to test out a new Global Eats recipe, the walking taco, and it was very well received. According to our survey, 95 percent of students would like to see this new recipe added to the menu.

