

# SAGE

DINING SERVICES®

Hello Parents,

Welcome to George Walton Academy for a new school year. My name is William Angel, and I am the Food Service Director at GWA for SAGE Dining Services. I am happy that you chose George Walton Academy and look forward to working with you in the future.



The cornerstone of our program will always be variety. We use real food, cooked from scratch, on site, using locally sourced ingredients. We are convinced that freshly made food tastes better, retains more nutrients and is safer for the environment. SAGE's Educational Seasonings program encourages students to learn about – and taste – foods and flavors from around the world. This year they will learn about Breakfast Around the World, Tasty Tomatoes, Marvelous Mushrooms, Food Safety in the Home and other useful topics.

SAGE's dining program believes all foods fit on your plate when you practice variety, balance and moderation. Our team of registered dietitians created SAGE's Spotlight Program®, which assigns a spotlight color to each item on the menu to help guide our students' decisions. Our program encourages a healthy relationship with food that is both fun and nutritious.

For students with food allergies, we encourage parents and students to contact SAGE's Food Service Director to discuss our menus and learn about making safe choices, both in the dining hall and at home.

To learn more about SAGE Dining Services, Inc.®, please visit [www.sagedining.com](http://www.sagedining.com) or talk to your Food Service Director.

#### We feature daily:

- Freshly prepared soups and entrees, made from scratch;
- House-roasted and hand-sliced deli meats and a variety of locally baked breads;
- Our Improvisations™ bar, features a wide variety composed and whole-grain salads, fresh vegetables and house-made dressings;
- At least two fresh vegetables daily, as well as fresh-cut fruit;
- A variety of beverages, including 2% and skim milk, Spa Water (filtered water flavored with freshly cut fruits and vegetables), lemonade and juices.





George Walton Academy Lunch Price List

**Over 90 % of what we offer is homemade from scratch.**

**K4 - Fourth Grades** - \$4.00 includes hot meal, two fresh sides, a dessert and one small beverage.

**Fifth – Seventh Grades** - \$4.75 includes choice of hot meal with two fresh sides **OR** salad/deli bar, both options come with a dessert and a small beverage.

**Eighth - 12<sup>th</sup> Grades** - \$5.00 includes choice of hot meal with two fresh sides **OR** salad/deli bar, both options come with a dessert and a small beverage.

- Small beverages: Prairie Farms milk, chocolate milk, orange juice, Mott's apple juice, fruit punch and 8oz Dasani waters.

## **We have made many changes to what we offer for our students who are in fifth grade and above!**

**We are offering everything as a GRAB and GO concept.**

**All items that were offered last year will be made in-house and pre-packaged for your students' convenience. This will allow them to have more choices, but also more time to enjoy their lunch periods.**

Your students will have the following daily options to enjoy fresh, local house-made products produced by SAGE :

- A choice between five different gourmet sandwiches, wraps and subs
- A choice between five composed salads with house-made dressings
- We have daily options of five different cut fruits
- Our new food truck concept, CROSSROADS, will offer a variety of items such as burgers and quesadillas. We will also have a fry station offering different cuts like waffle fries, shoestring fries, tater tots, etc...
- Mangia Mangia!! We will be offering Pizza by the slice every day!
- The Main Ingredient is the two hot entrees along with the sides that accompany each entree. Every day there is a vegetarian option available and the sides consist of a steamed fresh vegetable. (This is what all K4-fifth grade students will be eating each day)
- PS is the made-from-scratch dessert offered each day.



- Beverages - \$ 1.00 - \$2.50 (chocolate milk, white milk, orange juice, fountain machine with Powerades and Hi-C juices, PEACE tea, Core Power, Dasani water, Gold Peak teas and Dunkin Donut iced coffees)
- Whole fruit - apple, orange, grapefruit, pear or banana - \$ 1.00
- Ice cream prices range from \$ .75 - \$2.50 (a la carte ice cream is fifth - 12<sup>th</sup> grades only)
- Individual snack prices are posted on the snack shelf. They range from \$1.00 - \$3.50

**SAGE Dining has a new feature for those of you on the Go!**

**It is a free app for you to download on your phone called “Touch of Sage”**

It allows you to look at the menus, rate menu items, provide comments on items served and share photos of your food.

**You may also access the schools menu by going to the GWA Website:**

- Search for School Meal Program under the Student Life tab.
  - Select Lunch Menus.
  - Once you have the menu on the page there are three options:
    - Daily Offerings: These are items that we offer every day and do not change. They can be located at the very bottom of the menu page where it says Daily Offerings.
    - Daily: You can locate the menu for each day of the week.
    - Weekly: You can see what is offered at each station weekly.
    - Monthly: You can the menu for the entire month.
    - Weekly and monthly views link to the daily view.
    - While looking at the menu, you can click on individual items and see the ingredients and nutritional information for any item.
- THE ACCESS CODE IS S0146**
- You may also see any allergens associated with an individual item. Click on the Allergens tab and it will show you how to use the allergen filter.

*George Walton Academy* has implemented the state-of-the-art online and telephone-based MealpayPlus system by Horizon Software International.



## Please Note:

1. Middle and upper school break is served daily but is **cash** only. Student's lunch accounts can NOT be used for break unless there is confirmation **from the guardian via note or email**. My email is w.angel@sagedining.com
2. There will be daily account notices sent via email regarding your student if he/she has a negative account balance. There must be an updated email for each student's guardian in charge of his/her account. **GWA will not allow students to charge if they have a negative account balance**. Please make sure that we have a valid email address for your student's account so that these emails reach you in a timely manner. In an effort to be environmentally-conscious, GWA will not send out paper notices.

### **Yearly Meal Cost Not including Extra Purchases**

K4 - Fourth Grades - \$720.00 (180 meals)

### **Monthly Meal Cost Not including Extra Purchases**

K4 - Fourth Grades - \$80.00 (20 meals)

### **Weekly Lunch Cost(Not including Extra Purchases**

K4 - Fourth Grades - \$20.00 (5 meals)

**MealpayPlus is a prepayment system that allows you to make deposits into your children's accounts via the web at [www.mealpayplus.com](http://www.mealpayplus.com). The system also:**

- Allows you to sign up and register a child or children in multiple districts on the website.
- Accepts credit cards (Visa, Master Card or Discover), bank check cards with VISA or MC logo and savings/checking accounts (e-check via ACH.)
- Allows you to view child's balance.
- Allows you to view payment history.
- Allows you to view purchase history.
- Deposit confirmations are emailed direct to your email account.
- Low balance email reminders may be set up to remind you when your balance reaches a certain limit. **(I highly suggest that you set this up.)**



- Allows payments and balances to be updated virtually in real time.
- Wallet and auto replenish feature allows you to set a low balance amount that will automatically replenish your child's account at that balance from your credit card.

Money deposited into MealpayPlus will usually arrive at the site within a matter of minutes. On occasion you will see a delay of up to 48 hours. Please set your low balance email reminder early enough for funds not to fully deplete.

Security is a priority with MealpayPlus. The data is encrypted at 128 bit encryption...with SSL/secure socket layer. VISA protocol for its CISP/Cardholder Information Security program is followed and CISP certification from Visa is held. This is VISA's highest security certification.

MealpayPlus also has a Confidentiality Statement and User Agreement on the MealpayPlus website. Basically, we retain only enough information to process the payment and do not sell our lists to anyone.

If you have problems or payment processing questions, you may call **800.859.6508** between the hours of 9:00 - 6:00 EST. After hours, you will be asked to leave your number and you will be called the next business day. Parents may also send emails to [Support@Mealpay.com](mailto:Support@Mealpay.com).

**How to set up a free account with meal pay plus:**

- Go to the website [www.mealpayplus.com](http://www.mealpayplus.com).
- Click the button "register a free account."
- Select GA for the state.
- Select George Walton Academy for the district.
- Enter the student id# for your student. Please note that this is not the same number they enter in the cafeteria, which is only the last 4 or 5 digits. You need the full id number. Contact Will in the cafeteria via email at [w.angel@sagedining.com](mailto:w.angel@sagedining.com) if you do not have this number.
- Enter the last name of your **student**.
- Follow the instruction to complete your account setup.

Commented [WR1]:

Call or email William Angel if you have any questions or problems

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