

Whitsons Nutrition Longmeadow March 2017 Newsletter

We had an eventful March between the big storm, new menu items, and Guest Chef Ryan visits. Our kitchens were nicely decorated at the start of the month. Our team has been coming up with ideas to make the lunches fun and inviting. We have been busy baking blueberry, apple, and peach cobblers and they have been a big hit! A special corned beef lunch was served on the 17th. We introduced more vegetarian options at the request of students this March. The tofu cacciatore was big success! There will be more to come. The team has been roasting pork loins and turkeys that have lead students and employees to ask what smells so good. This month we awarded Laurie Goulet and Tiffany Darling with the Silver Apple Award! They have gone above and beyond.

The most exciting events of the month were the two guest chef visits with Chef Ryan Hurley. Chef Ryan visited Glenbrook Middle School on March 30th. He prepared Chipotle BBQ Chicken, Mango Infused Rice, Roasted Spring Vegetables, and Pineapple Mousse. It was delicious!! The team always loves working with Ryan. Not



Kimberly Robbins, Chef Ryan Hurley, Maria Romeo, & Antonia Santos



only is he an amazing chef, but he makes the whole

experience so much fun. He even sings while he cooks. His passion for cooking is apparent with his clear joy in the kitchen and the tasty results!

The following day Chef Ryan was back at Longmeadow High school! He and Chef Chuck prepared Sushi; California Roll, Shrimp Spicy Roll, Philadelphia Roll, and Veggie Roll, served with Miso Soup and a green salad with white miso dressing! The team had a blast and the food was beautiful and amazing! It was the most popular lunch item that we served all year!

All in all we had a very productive month and we all worked hard to ensure that the kids were served a nutritious and yummy school lunch, even when we experienced staffing shorts. We strive to offer the best school lunch experience each day.



Rose Becker, Chef Chuck Crease, & Valerie Armitage



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