

## **Kitchen Update February 11th 2020**

### **Kitchen Staffing**

- We are happy to say that, at this time, we have enough subs working to ensure (as long as there are not any staff out with illness) that we have all of our positions filled by full-time or WillSub employees.
- We hope to find a few more substitute employees to bolster our ranks and cover illness/injury staff issues.

### **Equipment**

- We have successfully installed the unit replacing our High School freezer, and it is up-and-running perfectly. This is 1 of 2 freezer repairs completed, the second will be attempted over the upcoming break.
- We are currently working with vendors (as well as Dan B. and Kevin Emsweller) toward securing a new Combi-steam oven in the MS to replace the broken steamer that is unserviceable due to parts no longer being manufactured.
- We are also working together to decide between replacing the unit mentioned above with a brand-new unit that has parts available when any issues may arise, or leaving the unit as-is and waiting to see how long until a failure happens.

### **Breakfast-In-The-Classroom**

- Nationally, the statistics show an increase in student participation when running the BIC program so we are very excited to try out a few variants of the BIC program at our TMS. The BIC program (in its initial demo here at Tipton Middle School) will begin with a volunteer teacher (J. Beck) spending a whole week with her 8AM group doing BIC and then we will tweak the program as-needed to attempt it with 3 additional volunteers the following week. Once we have gathered all the data/results we will have a report and decide on viability of the program and its benefits.