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District 50 Delivers 35,000 Meals to Students

HARVARD, Ill. — Thursday, May 21, marked the 35,000 school meal delivery to students. Since school closures began on March 16, Harvard District 50 has provided meals to students using buses to deliver food. A walk-up station located at Jefferson Elementary offers grab-and-go meals.

Working in partnership with Aramark and Durham School Services, Harvard has ensured that students receive nutritious meals each day. Deliveries are made Monday through Thursday to students' homes. Thursday deliveries include meals for Friday through the weekend.

In addition to meals, district school nurse Noemi Zamudio distributed 150 masks. The district intends to supply more masks with future deliveries.

District 50 delivered 5000 books to students' homes in April, thanks to a donation from Bernie's Book Bank.

With a combination of CARES Act funds and a Federal Rural and Low-Income grant, 222 Wifi hotspots have been issued to families to guarantee all students have internet access.

"COVID-19 has proved challenging for students and the community," superintendent Dr. Corey Tafoya said. "Our district is doing everything in our power to keep our students safe and healthy during this unique time."

Meal deliveries will continue for all students through mid-August.

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