



## Bus Runs Added for Regents Week

**By Chloe Davis**

Even though school is not in session during Regents Week (January 22-January 25), students will still be coming to school, not only for Regents exams, but for plenty of other reasons. In order to accommodate students' needs, extra bus runs have been added. See the attached list for arrival and departure times.

Vice Principal Mr. Copani said, "We have arranged bussing to provide students with plenty of opportunity to come in, complete what is necessary, including eating meals if needed, and then be transported directly home without having to hang out for an entire, or even a half day."

Guided Study Hall (GSH) teachers are meeting with students to discuss and review their student-led conference portfolios and their first semester grades and progress in order to determine if students are missing any work. (See article about student-led conferences on Page 8).

Meetings will be typically be scheduled in two sessions, from 7:40 a.m. - 9:35 a.m. and from 11:45 a.m. - 2:30 a.m.

Mr. Copani noted, "These session times are not mandatory and Guided Study Hall meetings can be scheduled on an individual basis based on teacher availability." Students need to schedule

meeting times as proctoring duties vary from teacher to teacher.

On the day of their appointment, students will remain with their GSH teacher for the duration of the time they are in school that day, unless scheduled to work with another teacher, attend a review class, or take a Regents or mid-term exam. They will have the option to make up work or science labs, participate in physical education recovery Wednesday through Friday, or work on their portfolios during this time.

Teachers may have students working in their classrooms while they are meeting with their GSH students.

The library will also be open to support students, if needed. Breakfast and lunch will be served each day, as well.

It is important that students are aware that bus pick-up for the mid-morning arrival will begin at 10:45 a.m. Students were asked to let their GSH teacher know if they need a mid-day ride to school. Those students taking an afternoon Regents may also take the mid-day bus to school.

Good luck on Regents exams, GRB, and make sure you take advantage of the time to get caught up or get ahead!

### Regents Week Bus Schedule

- Normal arrival – 7:15 a.m.
- Mid-morning dismissal – 9:45 a.m.
- Mid-morning arrival – 11:30 a.m.
- Late morning dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
  - Normal dismissal – 2:35 p.m.
  - Dismissal - 3:15 p.m.
  - Dismissal - 4:15 p.m.

*Buses will run Tuesday – Friday (January 22-January 25) several times throughout the day in order to accommodate students' needs.*

## National Honor Society Induction Approaching

By **Nora Kingsbury**

On the evening of Monday, January 28, twenty-eight members of the junior class will be inducted into the prestigious National Honor Society (NHS). The qualities that have made these GRB students prime candidates for NHS include the four pillars of what NHS stands for: scholarship, leadership, character, and service.

There are 42 current members of NHS and these members were inducted at the ceremony last year. Of the 42 current members, five were elected to officer positions this past fall. The officer positions were awarded as follows: President Jenna Ruzekowicz, Vice-President Collin Bennett, Treasurer Ean Stevenson, Historian Ana Snyder, Parliamentarian Shaylee Cealie, and Secretary Jasmine Criswell.

The ceremony will consist of all current and new members of NHS. All current members will take their place on the stage and the officers will read to the audience what it means to be a part of NHS and also what the four pillars of NHS mean.

Then, all names of the inductees and a short paragraph about what the inductee has achieved will be read as they make their way to the stage to join the current members of NHS.

After all new inductees have been acknowledged, all members' candles will be lit before the conclusion of the ceremony.

In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will take place on Wednesday, January 30.



*The National Honor Society induction ceremony will take place on January 28.*

## New Session Available for Driver's Education

By **Dani Avery**

The spring session of Driver's Education is about to begin at G. Ray Bodley so here is some information about how to get involved. Completed registration forms and payment must be given to the GRB Counseling Office by the end of the day Friday, January 18.

Any student whose birthday is on or before February 1, 2019 is eligible to take Driver's Ed. He or she does not need to have a learner's permit. However, slots will be given to seniors first and then by date of birth. Monday, January 28, students will be able to get information about whether or not they received a slot.

Both lectures and drive times are at GRB. The spring session runs from February through May.

Senior Jasmine Criswell, who took the course her junior year,

said, "I enjoyed Driver's Ed because it was learning in a fun way. You gain a lot of skills while having fun."

Senior Ryan Denson said, "Driver's Ed really helps to become a better driver and it's great that it helps lower car insurance."

Junior Alicia Merritt, who just recently completed Driver's Ed, said, "It was very beneficial and I recommend it. We all had a lot of fun."

Don't forget to turn in registration forms and payments to the Counseling Office by the end of the day tomorrow!



*The Driver's Education car waits for the Spring session of GRB students to begin classes in February.*

## -Opinion- Missed Opportunity for Snow Day

**By Chloe Davis**

On January 10, many students thought that we would have a Snow Day. Even though the roads were terrible, there still was not as much snow on the ground as some thought there would be.

Friday, November 16 was the first Snow Day of the year. It was quite early compared to other years. Since then, the weather got a lot better until early January. On January 8, we had a two-hour delay even though the weather could have been much worse.

Some students had a difficult drive on January 10 when many other school districts were closed.

Senior Aiden Franco said, "Attending school in the inclement weather was not safe, either walking or driving. Not allowing us a

two-hour delay so the city could de-ice the roads more was also a poor decision, when just two days before we had a two-hour delay when the roads weren't icy at all."

Senior Jea Adams said, "I believe the roads were much too icy and unsafe for both our student drivers and other students being transported to school. The right decision should have been made to have a Snow Day." This is a good point as the roads were way too icy to have been driving and many people were sliding on the roads.

Many students were upset to not have a Snow Day because they had to drive in the snow and it really was not safe to drive in. Many students also have to walk to school and the weather is definitely not good for people to be walking in.



*Some students were disappointed and confused to have to come to school at the normal time on Thursday, January 10.*

All after-school activities were cancelled on January 10 and the weather did end up improving a little bit.

Stay tuned, as more bad weather is probably in our future.

## Fulton's Taco Bell Now Open

**By Hailey Nugent**

The Fulton Taco Bell, located next to Fajita Grill, is now open and ready for customers!

Taco Bell will be serving breakfast from 7 a.m. - 11 a.m. and will close at 1 a.m. everyday. Taco Bell is a Mexican-inspired fast food restaurant that serves Mexican-style breakfast foods along with their regular selection.

Taco Bell has caused something of a local uproar. Senior Aiden Franco said, "Can't wait to go to Taco Bell before sports games and after school."

Many people waited at the drive-thru before school to be some of the first people to get the new breakfast foods.

Stop by and get a taco!



*Pictured is Taco Bell just before it opened for the first time on Wednesday, January 16. Picture provided by senior Eric Shear, who was the first in line.*

## Recyclers Offer Reminders

By Wendy Burch

Recycling is a great way to keep GRB clean.

Every Thursday, the juniors and seniors in Mr. Mainville's Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF) class come together during Guided Study Hall to recycle the materials classrooms have recycled over the past week.

Unfortunately, there have been some recycling bins with trash, rotting food, and liquids. On one recent Thursday, senior Dani Avery was emptying a recycling bin and found a layer of an unknown liquid substance. The liquid left a horrific smell in the bin.

Avery stated, "We are not only trying to help the environment, but we're trying to help the school stay clean. Trash and liquids in the bins make our job a lot harder."

This is a friendly reminder that the things that can be recycled would be cardboard, metals, paper, glass, and plastics. Used tissues and paper towels are not recyclable. Also, if a bottle is recycled, please dump out any remaining liquid before putting it in a recycling bin.

ESF teacher Mr. Mainville stated, "Our recycling team does a tremendous job each week. Please do your best to sort recyclables from garbage."

Keep recycling, GRB!



*Junior Rebecca Bailey sorts recyclables on a recent Thursday in order to take out any trash, cardboard, or bottles. There was a total of 265.6061 pounds of paper recycled on Thursday, January 10. The recycling data in the December 13 issue of RaiderNet was incorrect. We apologize for the error.*

## It's Easy to Get Involved at GRB

By Nora Kingsbury

Have you been wanting to participate in more activities at G. Ray Bodley? Here's your guide to everything you need to know about getting involved! GRB is host to a substantial number of school clubs and sports.

Sports are a great source of pride for GRB. Joining a sport is very easy. It simply requires signing up and completing a Raider sheet. If you are worried about tryouts, join a sport that has a "no cuts, no tryouts" policy like track.

Senior tennis player Hayley Vann says sports are important to get into because "they allow you to make friends and help to build teamwork skills." Senior McKenna Bourgeois from the Indoor Track team said, "Joining a team allows for new experiences and an awesome time."

Still, don't worry if sports aren't for you. You can also join one of the many clubs at GRB. Clubs are open to anyone and, with the surplus of different topics, everyone is sure to find one they enjoy.

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Senior and HOPE Club Co-President Ana Snyder said, “Clubs in our school give students an opportunity to be active in our school and also do something fun at the end of the day.” In particular, she added, “HOPE Club gives students an opportunity to make change in their community and is also a great group to be a part of.”

To join a club, approach an advisor or club leader to get information such as a Remind code and when the next meeting is.

Here is some quick club information. Student Senate meets on Tuesdays during Guided Study Hall in the library. Sign up for the remind @4b9f83 or contact the president, senior Jenna Ruze-kowicz, or advisor, Ms. Florio.

WGRB is looking for new members and meets during the week at various times to write and film. The remind code is @wgrbn and Mr. Jones is the advisor.

Math Club meets once a month in room 111 with advisor Mrs. Ryan for some friendly competition solving math problems.

HOPE Club meets every Monday after school in room 119. The advisor is Ms. Palmer and the co-presidents are seniors Abby Cuyler and senior Ana Snyder. The remind code is @7d8cf8.

It is never too late to get started in a club or sport!

Club:	Advisor:	Club:	Advisor:
Art Club	Jaclyn Tyler	Math Club	Sue Ryan
Band Club	Terry Caviness	Mentoring	Cathy Cronk
Chess Club	Jon Fasulo	National Honor Society	Nathan Fasulo
Chorus Club	Tom Nami	Newspaper (Journalism)	Justine Nylen
Christian Club	Meredith Williams	Orchestra Club	Anna Edele
Debate Club	Danielle Florio	Outdoor Adventure Club	Patrick Pasho/Erin McCarten
Drama Director (Quirk's Players)	Tom Briggs	Petal Pals	Gracia Thompson
Environmental Club	Dan Mainville	Raider's Den	Angela Ferlito
Freshman Class Advisor (2022)	Beth Lazarek	Science Club	Shanna Severance
F.B.L.A	Angela Ferlito	Senior Class Advisor (2019)	Jennifer Killian
GRB News	Nikki <u>Newidomy</u>	Ski & Snowboard Club	Penny Downing / Sue Ryan
H.O.P.E. Club	Kara Palmer	Sophomore Class Advisor (2021)	Jon Fasulo
Junior Class Advisor (2020)	Elizabeth Kent	Student Senate	Danielle Florio
LOTE Club	Jennifer Coleman	Yearbook Advisor	Len Senecal (Deana Honeywell)

*GRB offers a variety of clubs for students.*

## Raider Hockey Splits Last Four Games

**By Eric Shear**

The Red Raider Hockey team is currently 4-6 overall with a 3-4 record in league play. The Raiders have not been performing as well as they had hoped to this season. Hannibal junior Cal Connolly stated, "This season is huge because we're trying to make a better name for ourselves. It's been a long battle for playoffs but if we stick to our goals we won't have a problem changing Fulton Varsity Hockey."

The Raiders currently sit in ninth place out of 13 in their division. The Raiders are in a playoff spot for now and are looking up. The Raiders have clinched a playoff spot with their most recent upset victory over the CNS Northstars.

The Raiders' most difficult games of the season are over after they played Baldwinsville and Syracuse. Syracuse is currently ranked second in the state. The Red Raiders believe that every game from here to the rest of the season is a winnable game.

The Raiders recently lost to Oswego and Brockport. However, the Raiders did beat the Ontario Bay Storm between the two crushing losses. On Tuesday, January 15, the Raiders had a huge upset over the CNS Northstars.

The loss to the Bucs was on their First Responder Night. The Raiders came out strong and scored a goal with under a minute to go in the first. The goal came from sophomore Derick Schumaker, assisted by seniors Eric Shear and Joe Galvagno.

The Raiders came out in the second fairly well and headed into the locker room tied 2-2. The goal was scored by Galvagno and assisted by Schumaker and junior Derek Carter. In the third period, the train came off the rails for the Raiders. They lost that game 6-3.

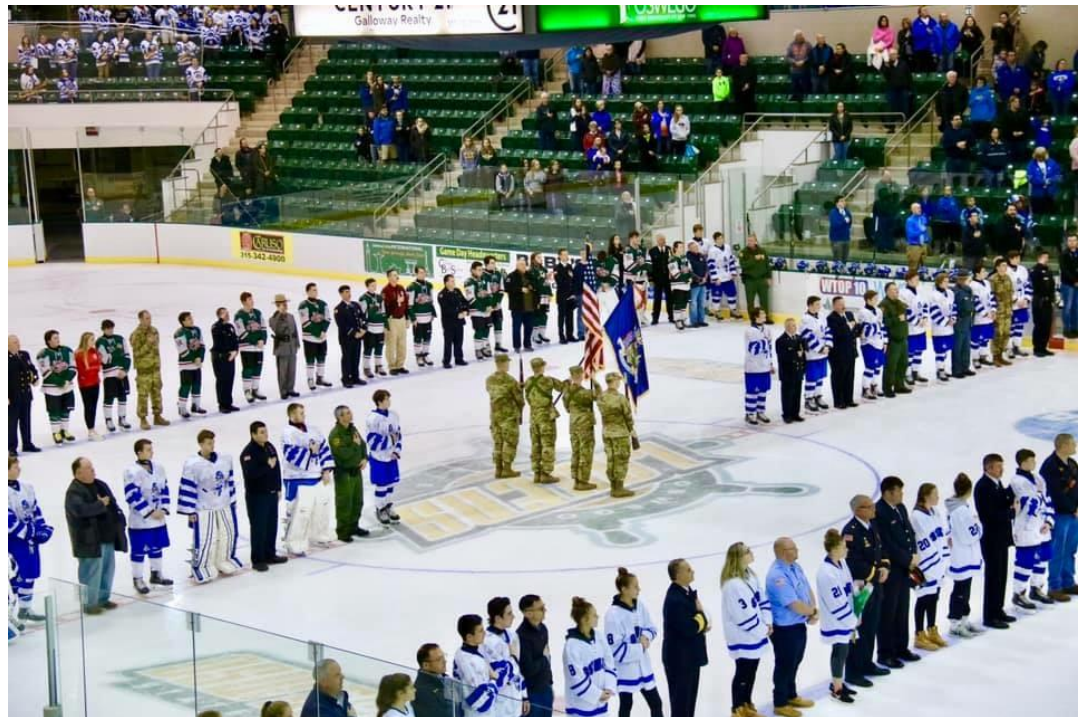
The Raiders came back after the new year looking for a fresh start against the Ontario Bay Storm on January 3. The Raiders found just that and won the game 4-1. The goals came from Connolly and

freshman Jon Dingman had a hat trick. Also recording points that game were freshmen Owen Dixon and Freddy White.

The Raiders looked to continue their momentum on Saturday, January 5 against Brockport. The Raiders came out slow and at the end of the second period were down 1-0. White came out in the third and scored assisted by Dingman and Schumaker to even the game at one a piece.

However, Brockport came right back and scored again. The Raiders finally turned it on in the last five minutes of the game, but it was too late. The final score was 2-1.

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*The Raiders and the Bucs honored first responders at center ice of the Campus Center on December 21, 2018.*

The Raiders played the CNS Northstars on January 15. The Raiders went in the locker room with a 2-0 lead at the end of the first period. The goals came from Dixon and Schumaker.

However, the Northstars came fighting back and scored two goals in the second period, but the Raiders answered quickly. The goal came from Shear.

The Raiders scored two more goals in the third period from Schumaker and Shear and led 5-2. The Northstars did not quit and scored two more goals, but it was too little too late for CNS, as the Raiders won the game 5-4.

The Raiders gained a huge morale boost after such a big win and clinching the playoffs. Senior Nate Lindsey stated, "The win over CNS was well-deserved. Everyone came together as a team and pulled through."

Starting goalie junior Jadon Lee has played phenomenally for the Raiders. Lee has a .894 save percentage with a 4.36 goals against average but is seeing an average of 43 shots a game.

Senior Kaleb Calkins said, "Jadon's performance has been outstanding. He has been keeping us in tough games this season and is having a great year."

## Students Ready for Bodley Bot Bash

By Wendy Burch

On Saturday, January 19, Fulton will be hosting the annual Bodley Bot Bash in the GRB gym from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. This is a VEX Robotics competition where teams from other schools come to Fulton and compete with their bots. Winners qualify to compete at states at the SRC Arena in Syracuse in March and if they win there they go to the world competition in April.

Junior High Technology teacher Mr. Armet stated, "It is a fun day with over 30 teams from around Oswego County, Central New York, and other parts of New York scheduled to attend. There should be well over a hundred students participating."

Members of this year's robotics teams include Senior Captain Ryan Barry, co-driver sophomore Ian Summerville, senior Aaron

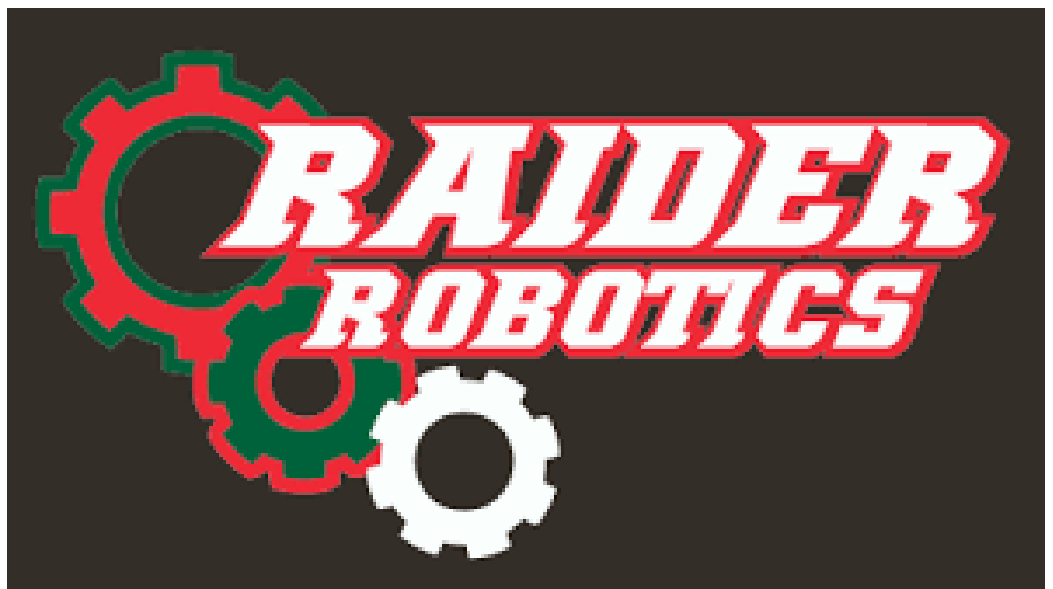
Dedich, junior Taylor Bonoffski, junior Jacob Summerville, and sophomore Brandon Hacic.

Barry stated, "This year's game consists of picking up disk-shaped 'caps' and placing them on a post, launching balls at flags, and climbing two-inch platforms."

The robotics team is always looking for more help and if anyone is interested in joining the team, new members are always welcome. If you are interested, reach out to Mr. Armet, Barry or Ian Summerville.

Bonoffski is excited for Saturday and said, "I hope we put our best foot forward and are able to win the competition."

Good luck, GRB Robotics team!



## Preparations Underway for Student-Led Conferences

**By Dani Avery**

Already this school year so much has been accomplished by students and improvement has been demonstrated all over the Fulton City School District. There will be a time to brag about these achievements in March when each student hosts his or her Student-Led Conference.

Student-Led Conferences are a chance for students to share progress with any adult who is important to them. For some students, these adults might be a parent or adult relative, or a coach or a teacher who just means a lot to them. English teacher and Seminar Team Leader Mrs. LaDuc said, "The goal is for students to be in charge and to present what was learned throughout the year."

Last year, only freshmen and sophomores hosted their Student-Led Conferences because with Seminar class in their schedules, the school was able to provide support through that class. This year, all students at GRB will be given the chance to share their progress.

If you are wondering when the junior and senior classes are being given support and guidance this year, the answer is during Guided Study Hall (GSH). GSH is a 21-minute period between third and fourth bell, which all high school students and teachers have. In addition, seniors are given time in English classes to work on their

digital portfolios. Freshmen and sophomores are able to work in Seminar and juniors are able to work in GSH.

Student-Led Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, March 14 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and all day on Friday, March 15 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mrs. LaDuc said they scheduled these times in an effort to "hopefully accommodate everyone's schedules."

Some students may be concerned with why Student-Led Conferences are being implemented for all grades this year and why they will be creating a digital portfolio. Not only are they beneficial to track progress, but according to Mrs. LaDuc, this is a positive opportunity to develop skills, "because there are so many things that students learn that they do not even realize."

If there are any questions, Seminar and Guided Study Hall teachers can provide answers.

## Boys Varsity Basketball Beats Rival Oswego

**By Caleb Clarke**

Our Fulton boys basketball team defeated Oswego on Thursday, January 15 with a final score of 64-57. The Raiders played a great game and redeemed themselves after a close loss to ESM with a score of 51-53 on Friday, January 11.

The Raiders notably had great three-point shooting from sophomore Jack Broderick and junior Seth Grimshaw, as well as several rebounds from sophomore Marcus Shepard who stepped up big at the game.

Senior Jake Gugula also had a great game, scoring 24 of the team's 64 points. After the game, Gugula said, "We knew they were going to be a tough team, but we

had to stay focused and keep a strong defense."

To that point, the Raiders played a great defensive and physical game, which made it tough for Oswego to drive to the basket. The Oswego team did, however, get a few points from many resulting foul shot opportunities, but not enough to get ahead.

Gugula added, "We moved the ball really well and played good as a team."

The boys will be traveling to Jamesville-Dewitt for their second matchup of the season. Senior Jake Ely said, "We're going to play aggressive on defense and rely on getting into transition to score our points." The game is on Friday, January 18 at 6:45 p.m.



## Verizon Users Need *Remind* App

By **Cody Burmingham**

Remind is a company that provides teachers the ability to send text messages to students and parents about any number of topics. Some teachers send information about classwork and assignments, while others send information about fundraisers or class events. Principal Mrs. Parkhurst sends information about school delays and cancellations.

Beginning January 28, 2019, students and parents who have Verizon as their phone carrier will no longer be able to receive Remind messages as texts.

In an e-mail from Remind, the company stated, “We’re sorry to write with disappointing news. Recently, we learned that Verizon will be charging Remind a new fee that makes it impossible for us to continue supporting free text messaging for anyone who has Verizon Wireless as their phone carrier.”

The e-mail explained, “Remind has always paid for each text that our users receive or send. Now, Verizon is charging Remind an *additional* fee intended for companies that send spam over its network.” The e-mail pointed out, however, that Remind messages are not spam.

They continued, “As a result, the Verizon fee will increase our costs of providing text messaging

by 11X—pushing our annual costs into the millions of dollars. This isn’t financially feasible for us to support, and it’s forcing us to end Remind text messaging for everyone who has a wireless plan with Verizon.”

In order to still get the Remind messages, Verizon users need to download the app and enable notifications. Users can also enable e-mail notifications.



*Beginning January 28, Verizon users will no longer be able to receive text messages from Remind.*

If your carrier is anyone other than Verizon, you should be still be able to receive text messages from Remind, at least for now.

## -Opinion- Vegetarians Disappointed at GRB

By **Lizzie Russell**

Vegetarians at GRB understand that the school lunch, most of the time, won’t be a suitable meal for them. The occasional salad served in the cafeteria has meat on it and the pasta has meat sauce, as well. And nothing is more disappointing than when pizza day comes around and you go to walk through the lunch line just to realize that they aren’t serving cheese pizza.

Years ago, GRB had a salad bar, giving kids the option to make their own salad. This is not only suitable for vegetarians, but also for people who do not like certain toppings, giving them the choice of what to put on their salad and what to avoid.

Being a vegetarian myself, I understand what others are going through. I think that not only a salad bar would be a great option,

but instead of using meat sauce on the pasta and chicken on the pizza, these items should be meat-free. These meats are not necessary as you can serve other types of protein along with it like nuts and the milk that comes with every lunch.

The lack of vegetarian options also makes it hard for other students who want to eat meat-free to actually go through with it. The argument that if you do not want to eat meat, you should bring your own lunch is not suitable for everyone because many students cannot afford to bring their own lunches.

When I say to include more meat-free options, I do not mean take all meat off the menu because I know not everyone is vegetarian. I just mean to remove meat from any dishes that can be vegetarian.