

## from Business Services

## Our Amazing District Food Center Team February 6, 2020

Walking down the back hallway of the District office you hear the hum of machines and the sound of talking and laughter. What you are hearing is the hard work of our District Food Center (DFC) team as they assemble meals for the young scholars who attend AUHSD and AESD schools.

The DFC produces over 20,000 meals (breakfast, lunch, and afterschool snacks) daily that are delivered to 23 elementary schools, 18 preschool sites and many of our secondary schools. Our DFC team is made of up of 40 school food service professionals who play a vital role in the education of our future leaders. The team is made up of Food Service Assistant I's, Food Service Assistant II's, Food Service Warehouse Drivers and a Senior Warehouseman, Food Production Assistants, Food Service Custodial Staff, the District Sous Chef, and our Production Center Manager. Many do not consider all that goes into the food that is being served to our students and the special role that each of our employees at the District Food Center has in this. From receiving hundreds of cases of

ingredients, produce, bread, and milk daily, while monitoring food and beverage temperatures, inspecting for quality, to processing school site orders and preparing paperwork for each group in the kitchen, creating and testing recipes, monitoring inventory and equipment, keeping our kitchens safe and sanitary, and the physical preparation of the food that the students receive. Each DFC employee contributes to the nourishment of our students at AESD and AUHSD in an invaluable way!

