

# Elmira City School District



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Dear Parent / Guardian

Since changing our start time at Elmira High School last year our Career and Technical Education (CTE) students were short on the required minutes to receive full CTE and embedded class credit. Last year, Elmira students had to attend CTE classes during exam weeks in January and June, in order to fulfill the time requirements.

One of the major obstacles is providing time for lunch and to transport our students to the B.O.C.E.S Bush Campus. In order to provide students time to eat, and maximize their instructional time, we worked on the system that is currently in place. Starting this school year all students are being provided bag lunches that are distributed daily as the students depart their busses. We have worked hard to consider any and all concerns, while still conforming to the strict rules that both the State and Federal Government enforce, in terms of nutrition for lunches. We will continue to look at menu options and review the effectiveness of the distribution of lunches over time.

Again, the reason we have had to provide lunches in this manner is to maximize your student's time, and allow them to access maximum credit, at their respective B.O.C.E.S. CTE Program.

We thank you for your continued involvement, and understanding, as we continue to refine this. Should you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jay Hillman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jay Hillman

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