

Cost of Some Metro Café Items to Rise; Others Being Reduced

(Feb. 22) Food prices are rising...and so is the cost of some items on the Metro Café menu, effective March 5. But wait! Other cafeteria prices will go down.

Of 131 food items offered for sale in the cafeteria, 26 will see price increases averaging five percent. The price of eight others will be reduced an average of nine percent. The most recent price increase occurred last March.

Among the menu items whose price will rise are sodas, 10 cents; burgers, 15 cents; French fries, 10 cents; salad and deli bar items, 2 cents an ounce; and soup, 15 cents.

Among the items whose price will be reduced are Starbucks 12 oz. coffee, 5 cents; cold cereal, 5 cents; croissant, 10 cents; tortillas, 15 cents; bottled frappuccino, 20 cents; and bottled water, 10 cents.

According to General Services, Metro Café pricing is still comparable to or lower than cafeterias at other public agencies in the area. Service includes featured food items, combo dishes and such promotions as the Breakfast Club that offers a free breakfast for every 10 purchased.

Sodexo Marriott recently beat out three other companies who submitted proposals to operate the cafeteria and food service at the Regional Rebuild Center. An MTA evaluation committee gave Sodexo the highest scores.

Employees can submit comments and suggestions for improvement to Metro Café manager, Bruce Ueno, at 922-6330 or by e-mail to MTACafe@aol.com.

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