



Dear BASIS Independent Brooklyn Upper School Families,

Butter Beans is delighted to offer nutritious lunches for the students at BASIS Independent Brooklyn Upper School for the 2025-26 school year. Since 2008, Butter Beans has served thousands of healthy school meals each day across New York City to help nourish growing bodies and minds.

Our lunch program is designed to meet the broad appeal of the student population. Walking through the lunch line, students encounter a variety of delicious hot entrees including both meat and vegetarian options, allergen free entree, a daily specialty sandwich and a daily hot soup, all prepared using **fresh, whole foods** that offer growing students a **well-balanced meal** to fuel them throughout their day! With **various items to choose from our cold bar**, including yogurt with granola, fresh fruits and vegetables, cheeses and spreads, hard boiled eggs, pasta with olive oil, sandwiches, Boar's Head cold cuts, and salad, every student is sure to find something they love.

We will be offering the following meal plan options:

- Our opt-in meal plans can be purchased on a monthly or annual basis. This is our traditional family-style hot meal plan which allows students to select items from the hot entrée bar and cold bar.
- For students in grades 5 and above, families have the choice of the opt-in program (outlined above) and/or an a la carte program detailed further below with *sandwich and salad selections only daily (not including the hot lunch)*

Whether you are a new or returning customer, please use the link below to register for the opt-in hot lunch program for the 2025-26 school year:

<https://www.butterbeanskitchen.com/biblunchsignup>

The **a la carte lunch program** is for students in grades 5 and above. This program will allow older students to choose when they want lunch. The **a la carte program is a café style option** that provides students the flexibility to select "grab and go" items such as freshly made sandwiches and salads, fruit cups, drinks, nutritious snacks and more (*does not include the hot lunch*).

The a la carte program will be administered through a declining balance account, utilizing the same point-of-sale system used for the afterschool snack program. If your student has a snack account it can be used for the a la carte lunch program. **You can register for the a la carte program at** <https://www.butterbeanskitchen.com/bibu-snack-ala carte-form>.

Please note that the current opt-in family-style meal program will remain in place for the middle and high school students who wish to continue with that program. With the new a la carte program, students in grade 5 and above can choose from the following meal programs:

1. Butter Beans' standard opt-in program



2. Butter Beans' a la carte program – “grab and go” items only
3. Both programs – student is registered for both the opt-in and the a la carte program

Students will be able to change between the programs during the school year.

The Butter Beans **afterschool Snack Canteen** will return for the 2025-2026 school year. If your student had a snack canteen account during a prior year, then they are ready for the new school year. All you need to do is re-load funds when you're ready. **If you have not yet set up an account, you can register your student at <https://www.butterbeanskitchen.com/bibu-snack-ala-carte-form>.** Please note the registration process will take 2-3 business days while the account is created on EZ School Apps.

This year's menu will include new, exciting entrées alongside familiar Butter Beans student favorites. You can see a sample menu from the 2024-2025 school year at https://api.menutech.com/public/menus/abtLwVUF/?base_lang=en

Have questions? Contact us at 718-499-0010 or orders@butterbeanskitchen.com. Your BASIS Independent Brooklyn school food contact is Evelyn Persaud. You may reach her at evelyn.persaud@basisindependent.com.

To learn more about how Butter Beans is **inspiring kids to eat healthy** like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram @butterbeanskitchen. We look forward to a great school year ahead!

Sincerely,

Patrick Persons
President and CEO



Meal Plan Options by Grade for the 2025-2026 School Year

The monthly or annual pricing options by grade are below. *These are based on the planned calendar and will be adjusted if the number of lunches changes from the beginning of the school year until June 11, 2026. A separate bag lunch option can be chosen for 6/12, 6/15 and 6/16.*

Butter Beans Lunch Package, By Grade*	Grade 4 or lower	Grades 5-12
Annual Registration Fee**	\$45	\$45
Annual Plan	\$1635	\$1734
Average Monthly Plan	\$164	\$173
Added bag lunch option for 6/12, 6/15 and 6/16***	\$10 per day	\$10 per day

**Prices include sales tax. All lunch packages are based on estimated school calendar dates for the 2025-26 school year provided by BASIS Independent Brooklyn, including planned school closures, parent teacher conference days, and field trips. Actual prices will be based on the actual number of school days with lunch on the BASIS Independent Brooklyn calendar.*

***Registration fee will be waived for annual lunch plans if payment is made by check or via ACH, and received by the start of the school year.*

****Students can be signed up for bag lunches on June 12, 15 and 16 on the signup form with initial signup or selected later closer to the end of the school year.. This includes sales tax.*