

TEMPLE

CULINARY SERVICES

MEAL PLAN GUIDE | 25-26

Choose Less Stress

Our dining program was created with you in mind! Temple Culinary Services provides a range of delicious and healthy options with meal plans that nourish your campus experience.

THE DISH

KOSHER CORNER
Classic Deli Vibes. Modern Kosher Flavor.

New This Fall

Temple Culinary Services is excited to announce the following enhancements for the fall semester:

- Our all-you-care-to-eat dining hall, **Esposito Dining Center** *(a.k.a. The Dish at J&H)*, now features brand-new seating designed to foster comfort and connection. With most renovations completed during winter break 23-24, this final touch transforms the space into a warm, welcoming hub where students can gather, share meals, and build community.
- Zaydee's Kosher Delicatessen is moving to the Morgan Hall Food Court! Now rebranded as **Kosher Corner**, it will feature fan favorites from its former Temple Hillel location alongside an elevated selection of new kosher deli offerings. We're looking forward to improved accessibility and greater visibility to better serve Temple University's diverse campus community. The Kosher Corner will be open Monday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and will also be available on Grubhub™. *Please note: hours and offerings may vary in observance of Jewish High Holidays.*
- We've refreshed the **Chick-fil-A®** at the Morgan Hall Food Court and expanded the menu to include new side options like Mac & Cheese and the Kale Crunch Salad.

Special Diets

Temple Culinary Services provides an array of food options to accommodate a variety of lifestyles, dietary needs, and restrictions – including vegan/vegetarian, gluten-free, and kosher. Students seeking special dietary accommodations and/or nutritional advice are encouraged to reach out to our on-site dietitian at *TempleUDietitian@aramark.com* to schedule a consultation.

Know Your Perks

What is a meal swipe?

Meal swipes are meals included in your meal plan, which can be used two ways:

- to enjoy **all-you-care-to-eat dining** at Esposito Dining Center
- as **meal equivalency**, a credit toward the purchase of à la carte food items at select retail locations *(excluding coffee and convenience outlets)*

How much is a meal swipe worth when used as meal equivalency?

When used as meal equivalency, the value of a meal *varies by meal period*:

- **During breakfast** *(from open until 10:59 a.m.)*: $7.60
- **During lunch** *(11:00 a.m. to 3:59 p.m.)*, **dinner** *(4:00 p.m. to 7:59 p.m.)*, and **4th meal** *(8:00 p.m. to close)*: $10.50

A second meal swipe, cash, or credit can be used to cover any remaining balance.

How often can I use a meal swipe?

You can use a **single meal swipe in all-you-care-to-eat dining locations** and **up to 2 meal swipes per transaction in retail settings** *(excluding coffee and convenience outlets)* with a maximum meal swipe allowance of **4 meals per meal period** – until the limit included in your meal plan is met.

Find Your Fit

Meal Plan	Meal Swipes	Guest Meals per Semester	Price per Semester
Unlimited	***Residential:*** Unlimited ***Retail:*** Up to 21 per week	5	$2,677
Weekly 15	***Residential and/or Retail:*** Up to 15 per week	5	$2,520
Weekly 12	***Residential and/or Retail:*** Up to 12 per week	5	$2,297
Weekly 10*	***Residential and/or Retail:*** Up to 10 per week	3	$1,963
Weekly 5*	***Residential and/or Retail:*** Up to 5 per week	-	$1,017
Block 100*	***Residential and/or Retail:*** Up to 100 per semester	-	$1,217
Block 50*	***Residential and/or Retail:*** Up to 50 per semester	-	$642

***Reserved for returning and off-campus students.**

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When does my weekly meal swipe balance reset? How can I check my balance?

Your weekly meal swipe balance resets **each Sunday at 12:01 a.m.**. You can verify your balance on the *TUportal*, *TUmobile* app, or *Transact eAccounts* app.

Can I change my meal plan?

You have until the **meal plan changes deadline** each semester to modify your meal plan selection. To do so, visit *MyHousing* within the *TUportal*.

- **September 8, 2025** *(Fall)*
- **January 26, 2026** *(Spring)*

Am I allowed to treat friends or family to a meal using my meal plan?

If your meal plan includes **guest meals**, you can use them to treat others to a meal exclusively at Esposito Dining Center. Otherwise, you're welcome to treat friends and family to a meal using **cash** or **credit** at any of our campus dining locations.

Questions?

Visit our website at **temple.campusdish.com** or email us at **aramark@temple.edu**.



Frequently Asked Questions

What is a meal plan?

A meal plan unlocks delicious meals, coffee, snacks, and more at Temple Culinary Services locations across main campus. Each meal plan includes *meal swipes* that are conveniently preloaded onto one's *OWLcard* or mobile wallet.

- **Weekly meal plans** provide a weekly allowance of meal swipes, resetting each Sunday at 12:01 a.m.
- **Block meal plans** provide a bundle of meal swipes, which expire at the end of the semester.

Who is required to purchase a meal plan?

- **New students (first-year and transfer)** with housing contracts on main campus are required to purchase a weekly meal plan with a minimum of 12 meals per week. If no meal plan is chosen, the *Weekly 12* will be assigned by default for *both* the fall and spring semesters.
- **Returning and off-campus students** are not required to purchase a meal plan but are encouraged to do so as a means of enriching their campus experience. Although we created the *Weekly 5* and block meal plans with these groups in mind, any meal plan offered would be the perfect complement to the commuter experience.

How do I choose a meal plan?

Personal eating habits, class schedule, and leisure activities should all be considered when choosing a meal plan. If you are accustomed to eating three full meals a day, or prefer to eat small meals throughout the day, our *Unlimited* plan may be for you. If you tend to skip breakfast, eating only two meals a day, a meal plan with less meal swipes will be a better choice.

How do I purchase a meal plan?

To purchase a meal plan, log into *MyHousing* through the *TUportal*. All meal plans must be paid for via tuition billing.

Does my meal plan selection carry over from fall to spring?

- **Students required to purchase a meal plan** will make both their fall and spring meal plan selections in summer, prior to the fall/spring meal plan selection deadline. They are then able to make changes to their selection prior to the meal plan changes deadline each semester.
- **Students not required to purchase a meal plan** are able to sign up for a meal plan at any time. We encourage students to make their selection as early as possible. Only the cost of weekly meal plans can be prorated when purchased after the start of the semester.

How do I cancel my meal plan?

Students may apply for a release from the Dining Services Agreement with supporting documentation stating the reason for their release request. Releases are only considered for medical and/or religious reasons. Requests are reviewed and decided by the University on a case-by-case basis. If a student's request for release is denied, they will remain responsible for all fees associated with their meal plan, whether used or not.

- **To apply for a release**, log into *MyHousing* via the *TUportal*.
- **For questions about meal plan cancellations**, please contact University Housing and Residential Life during normal business hours, from Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.. The team can be reached via phone at (215) 204-7184 *(Option #2)* or via email at *housing@temple.edu*.

What are Guest Meals?

Guest meals are included in our *Unlimited*, *Weekly 15*, *Weekly 12*, and *Weekly 10* meal plans and can be used to treat friends and family **exclusively at Esposito Dining Center**. You can use as many guest meal swipes as you'd like until the limit included in your meal plan is met.





