



# K-12 SCHOOL

EQUIPMENT SOLUTIONS GUIDE



Foodservice equipment and supplies play a pivotal role in K-12 school foodservice operations, shaping the efficiency, quality, and safety of meal preparation and service. From cooking appliances like ovens and griddles to serving solutions and even ice machines, each piece of equipment serves a critical function in the delivery of nutritious meals that meet regulatory standards and satisfy the diverse tastes and dietary needs of students.

This comprehensive guide is designed for school nutrition directors and staff. The goal is to provide a complete checklist of the different types of equipment that today's school cafeteria might need to provide successful service. We hope you find it useful.

### **Quick Facts**



School meal programs are expected to be selfsustaining, covering their expenses with federal reimbursements and cafeteria sales.



Balanced nutrition throughout the day contributes to student success in and out of the classroom.



90.5% of school meal programs grapple with staff shortages.

Source: School Nutrition Association



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## BLODGETT

### COOKING



## **BLODGETT**

#### **Hydrovection & Convection Ovens**

School cafeterias pose unique challenges due to budget limitations, health regulations, and space constraints. Blodgett Hydrovection with Helix Technology™ can help schools overcome these challenges by maximizing recipe yields and decreasing cook times. Experience 30% better yields and 20% faster cook times to better serve students' nutritional needs.





### COOKING



## **CROWN STEAM**

**Steam Cooking** 

Crown Steam Group's Tilting Skillets are ideal for K-12 school kitchens, offering 30- and 40-gallon capacities with efficient heating. Made from durable stainless steel, they feature easy-to-clean interiors and optional power tilt for effortless operation. Adjustable feet and multiple frame options ensure versatility and ease of use in any school setting.



# Invoq

### COOKING



## INVOQ Combi Ovens

Invoq's Combi Ovens are perfect for K-12 school kitchens, providing precise cooking with a combination of steam and convection. Their user-friendly controls and durable construction ensure reliable performance and easy operation. These ovens enhance meal preparation, making it efficient and consistent for school foodservice needs.





### COOKING



## SOUTHBEND

#### **Convection Ovens**

Southbend's ventless convection ovens are ideal for school kitchens without hoods. With soft heat mixing zone technology, they ensure even baking and cooking. Plus, the new optional ventless internal catalyst design expands cooking possibilities without needing external venting. Ideal for schools seeking efficient cooking solutions.





### COOKING



## SOUTHBEND

**5 Burner Range** 

The Southbend 5-Burner Range is ideal for K-12 school kitchens, offering reliable and efficient cooking with its powerful burners and spacious oven. Its durable construction and user-friendly design ensure long-lasting performance and easy operation for school staff. This range enhances meal preparation, making it versatile and dependable for any school foodservice environment.





### **FOOD PREP**



# GLOBE Mixers & Slicers

Globe offers school kitchens mixers suited to any task, from salad dressing in a 5 qt. to pizza dough in a 175 lb. spiral mixer, all backed by a 2-year warranty.

Their slicers, ranging from a 9" economy slicer to a 13" frozen automatic, define excellence in school kitchen essentials.



## Varimixer

### **FOOD PREP**



## **Varimixer**

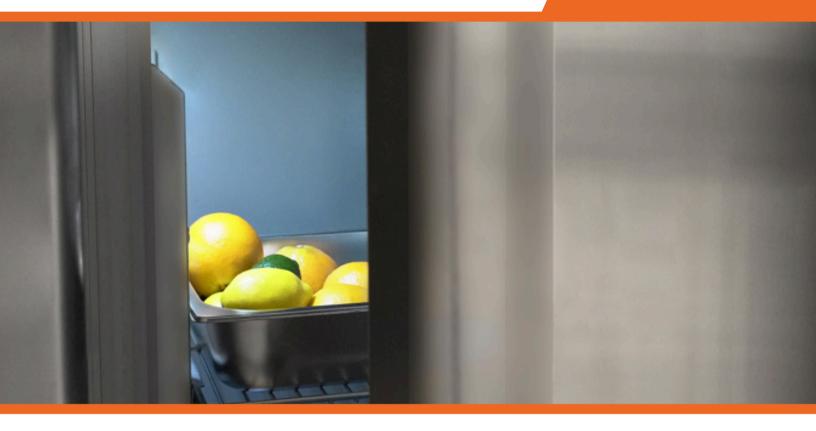
**Mixers** 

The Varimixer Kodiak is designed with the needs of K-12 schools in mind, offering unparalleled safety and ease of use for staff and students. Its robust construction ensures long-lasting durability, while the innovative bowl lift and intuitive controls streamline food preparation, making it an ideal addition to any school kitchen.





#### REFRIGERATION



## **U-LINE**

#### **Reach-In Refrigerators & Freezers**

Keep your ingredients fresh with Uline's commercial reach-in refrigerators and freezers. With various sizes and door options, they're perfect for school kitchens. Easy-to-use controls give your staff confidence in storage.





#### REFRIGERATION



## **THERMO-KOOL**

Walk-Ins & Blast Chillers/Shock Freezers

Thermo-Kool leads in innovative cold storage solutions, offering advanced technology and superior craftsmanship in walk-in coolers, freezers, blast chillers, and shock freezers.





### HOLDING



## **CARTER-HOFFMANN**

**Holding and Transport Equipment** 

Carter-Hoffmann's holding and transport carts are essential extensions of your school kitchen, ensuring food remains fresh until served. Designed to meet the demands of serving hundreds or thousands of students efficiently, they provide organization and ample storage space for prepared meals.





#### **ORGSOLUTIONS**



## **EAGLE GROUP**

Stationary & Mobile Shelving

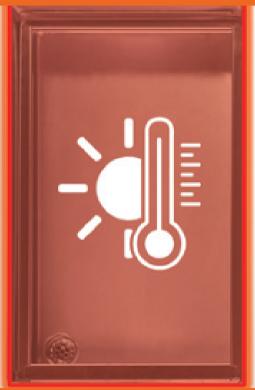
Discover Eagle's diverse shelving solutions, crafted in the USA for durability. With patented Quad-Truss® Design enhancing strength by 25%, select from various sizes and layouts. Utilize our Shelf Select™ service for optimal organization and enjoy dedicated customer support. Optimize your storage efficiency with Eagle today!





### **SERVING**







## **ATLAS METAL**

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The Atlas Dual-Temperature Hot/Cold Pan is ideal for K-12 cafeterias, offering the flexibility to serve both hot and cold foods in one unit. Its dual-temperature capability ensures meals are kept at optimal temperatures, enhancing food safety and quality. This versatile equipment streamlines meal service, providing nutritious and varied options to students.





### **SERVING**



## **LAKESIDE**

**Utility Carts/Serving / Merchandising Solutions** 

Lakeside Manufacturing offers a comprehensive range of foodservice solutions for K-12 schools, including mobile meal delivery systems, hand washing stations, PPE storage carts, and versatile serving kiosks. Their products are designed to enhance efficiency, safety, and convenience in school meal programs, ensuring hygienic and streamlined foodservice operations





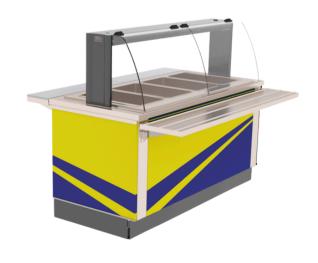
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## **MULTITERIA**

**Serving Lines** 

Multiteria's versatile equipment streamlines K-12 foodservice. Their Essence Serving Lines offer adaptable counters, while M-Power serving lines provide mobile convenience. With added sanitation features, our equipment ensures safety and cleanliness.





### **BEVERAGE**



## CONCORDIA

**Coffee Systems** 

Concordia brings automated and semiautomated coffee machines to schools. Serve up a delicious range of beverages, from classic espresso to frothy cappuccinos. Count on Concordia for consistent quality and an efficient system.



### **Let's Develop Your K-12 Foodservice Program!**

Visit one of our conveniently located test kitchens to schedule a personalized demonstration on any of the equipment listed in this guide.

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