Equipment Selection Guide: Second Chance & Grab and Go

Included In This Guide

This guide includes notes on what to consider when selecting Breakfast Station equipment for Second Chance Breakfast and/or Grab and Go Breakfast, examples of equipment available for purchase, and notes on Washington schools' experiences with the listed items. Please note that the products highlighted below are not product recommendations, but rather are examples of items popular in Breakfast After the Bell schools. A product does not need to be the exact brand or specification listed below to work effectively for your program. Please reach out to **schoolbreakfast@uwkc.org** for an equipment consultation, to discuss your school's options, and/or with questions about specific items.

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Consider the below questions when selecting your equipment. Please reach out to schoolbreakfast@uwkc.org with any equipment questions you may have.

- What is the enrollment in each Breakfast After the Bell school? How many Breakfast Stations will you operate each morning, and how many students will each feed? Make sure that the equipment you select has enough space for all of this food.
- How will you ensure breakfast lines move quickly and avoid back-up?
- If you are serving Second Chance Breakfast, and students are not being led to a Breakfast Station by their teacher, how will you place stations to ensure all students encounter a Breakfast Station on their normal route to class?
- How will you serve hot and cold items? How will you maintain food safe temperatures when storing and transporting hot and cold items?

Breakfast Stations

Cambro Flex Station System

- Lightweight and mobile stations ideal for setting up service points wherever students can most easily access them.
- Compatible with a variety of food pans and boxes based on specific serving needs, in addition to inserts to maintain temperatures for cold items and insulated containers for hot items.
- Popular among Nutrition Directors serving Second Chance and Grab and Go
- Can be loaded with individual items and options for student choice, with pre-packed meals for a quick pick-up, or a combination, such as pre-bagged side items and individually wrapped warmed entrees.

Cambro Flex Station System for Schools

- Multiple configurations available (specifications [here](#))
- Dimensions shown: 24"x48"x67"
- Angled display shelves allow students to quickly view and make selections
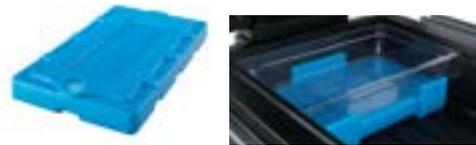- Compatible with below boxes, chillers, and pans

Camwear Boxes

- Multiple sizes compatible with Flex Station system available (specifications [here](#))
- Available in clear, ideal for students to see through to contents in higher shelves

CamChillers

- Ensure proper temperatures are maintained for cold items
- Paired with above Camwear Boxes
- Multiple sizes available (specifications [here](#))

Camwear Pans

- Multiple sizes compatible with Flex Station system available (specifications [here](#))
- Available in clear, ideal for students to see through to contents in higher shelves

Cambro Camshelving Station for Curbside & Takeout

- Multiple configurations and sizes available (specification [here](#))
- Flat shelves with dividers accommodate a range of food containers. (See section below on "Insulated Transportation and Containers" for additional information and options.)
- Photo to right shown with Cam GoBox and GoBags

Hubert Mobile Classroom Food Cart

- 36"x18"x69" OR 48"x18"x69" (specifications here)
- Angled display shelves allow students to quickly view and make selections
- Wire shelving for storage, transport, and display
- Compact and mobile to be transported as needed

Tables

- Long tables can be loaded with crates of meals to serve as a Breakfast Station.
- Folding, wheeled tables can be closed up and stored easily when not in use.

Crates

- Crates can be used to store, transport, *and* display pre-packed meals for service when stacked on a dolly.
- **Common combination:** display crates with pre-packed meal components on a folding table to create a Breakfast Station.

Food Bars

- Practical for elementary schools, as small children can reach their lower service containers.
- Heavier and less mobile than some other stations, however they work well for breakfast stations placed in a hallway outside of, or otherwise nearby, a cafeteria.
- Look for food bars that can be accessed from both sides, so that two lines of students can access breakfast simultaneously for a quicker meal service.

- Holds cold items safely for 4+ hours
- Two secure cabinets below hold up to   50 lbs
- Exterior dimensions shown: 82"x42.5"x63" (specifications here)
- Additional sizes available
- Storage dimensions per compartment: 17.5"x21.5"x18"

Utility Carts

- Two tier push carts are practical as Breakfast Stations for young elementary students, thanks to their reachable low height.
- Carts can often be used throughout the day for non-breakfast purposes, and thus doesn't require storage space.
- Utility carts can be transport items from the kitchen to fill a table or other Breakfast Station

Insulated Transportation and Containers

Cold-Sell 4-Crate Non-Electric Cooler

- Exterior dimensions: 37"x22"x34" (specifications here)
- Insulated cold panels keep milk cold for up to 24 hours when pre-frozen.
- Holds 4 milk crates
- Cordless, wheeled cooler is easily mobile
- **Common combinations:** Station next to a table or utility cart holding sides and entrees

Cambro GoBox System

- Serve directly out of an insulated container, load them on the shelves of a Breakfast Station, or use them to transport food items to load a Grab and Go Station.
- 4+ hours of safe hot or cold food holding
- Front-loading (specifications here) or top-loading options (specifications here) available
- Compatible with Camdolly Compact for transport (specifications here)

Cambro Delivery GoBags

- Sizes ranging from Small (10"x10 x11") to Jumbo (18"x14"x12") - specifications here
- Large size holds full-sized food pans and includes vertical, thermal divider
- Collapsible options available for kitchens with minimal storage space

Cambro Pro Cart Ultra Non-Electric

- Keeps food safe for 4+ hours
- Cordless, wheeled unit is easily mobile
- Holds up to 16 full-size 18"x26" sheet pans
- Comes in two sizes (specifications here)

Stanchions

- Facilitates efficient flow and order during meal service, to ensure students move through the breakfast line quickly
- Especially useful to help with social distancing

Bagging and Serving Materials

- Reusable plastic or paper bags can be pre-packed for a quick pick-up
- Paper boats allow for students to quickly select from options in Offer vs Serve schools

Point of Sale (POS) System

- Your school may already have a POS system in place, but here are several resources that support Grab and Go Breakfast. Consult with your IT department to determine what POS system and equipment would best fit your school needs.

- For more information on the POS system equipment listed below, review this guide or reach out to schoolbreakfast@uwkc.org

Software Licenses

- Schools usually add a license to their already existing software they are using for school meals. If they are selecting a new software for their meal programs, they typically work with a specification list of their needs and their IT department to select potential vendors for providing the solutions that they need to operate and claim meals.

- For more, visit here

iPad

- Used for mobile accountability systems. Schools with POS system or software can load onto iPad to streamline process.
- $250-$500
- For more, visit here

Wireless Register

- Work with your school IT department to determine what is the best solution for your school
- $1000-$1500
- For more, visit here

Pin Pads

- Work with your school IT department to determine the best solution for your school
- $200-700
- For more, visit here

Additional Resources

- Cambro School Brochure
- Cambro Insulated Transport Guide Specification
- Cambro Insulated Delivery Brochure Specification