

HOW DO I CHOOSE A MEAL PLAN?

All resident students (except Great Hill Apartments residents) must select a meal plan; however, meal plan choices are yours!

Follow three easy steps:

- Step 1** Select which meal plan to purchase – how many meal swipes/Dining Dollars per semester you would like: 150 meals & 700 Dining Dollars; 210 meals & 210 Dining Dollars or 75 meals & 500 Dining Dollars.
- Step 2** Flex dollars (optional) can be purchased with your meal plan or throughout the year in the Office of Student Accounts at Cash-to-Card machines on campus and online with a credit card (visa and master card only) thru the following link <http://www.bridgew.edu/PSCC>. Flex Dollars can be used for dining as well as making other purchases on campus (i.e. Bookstore, vending machines, Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks, copiers, laundry, Mail Services, etc). Flex Dollars are also accepted at participating off-campus merchants.
- Step 3** Write down your name, date, Banner ID number and total cost (meal plan + Flex Dollars) and sign the Selection Form.

For more detailed information about the Meal Plan, read the **Frequently Asked Questions** below and the “*How and Where does the Meal Plan Work?*” <https://www.bridgew.edu/MealPlan> so that you can make an informed decision.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- How often can I change my meal plan?**
You will select your meal plan each semester and have the first five days from the official first day of classes of each semester to change your meal plan selection if you choose to do so. Only one change allowed per semester.
- Do meal plans carry from semester to semester?**
No. Each block of meal swipes and Dining Dollars can be used anytime throughout the semester, however, these are tokens that you receive when purchasing a meal plan and they expire at the end of each semester.
- Can I use my meal swipes and Dining Dollars in all dining halls?**
You can use Dining Dollars in all dining halls; however, meal swipes can only be used in East Campus Commons and Flynn Dining Commons.
- What is the difference between the Meal Plan Dining Dollars and Flex Dollars?**
Dining Dollars are part of a meal plan and can ONLY be used in dining halls. They can also be used to purchase pre-packaged food/beverage items in the dining halls.

Flex dollars, on the other hand, work like cash and can be used in vending machines, laundry machines, at the campus bookstore, Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks, public copiers, dining halls as well at participating off-campus Merchants.

5. Which plan is right for me?

Example	Platinum Meal Plan	Gold Meal Plan	Silver Meal Plan	Bronze Meal Plan
I like to eat every meal every day	√	√		
I eat most meals on campus	√	√		
I prefer all I can eat meals		√		
I eat late evenings	√		√	
I am a light eater			√	
I am not on campus for every meal			√	
I need a flexible meal plan	√	√	√	
I am a commuter or I live in the Great Hill Apartments, but still want a meal plan	√	√	√	√

- What do I do if I run out of Dining Dollars on my meal plan before the end of the semester?**
You can still use your meal block. You can also purchase Flex Dollars and add them to your Connect Card account at any time. You can purchase Flex Dollars with cash, check or credit card in the Student Accounts Office in Boyden Hall or online using a credit card. There are also four Cash-to-Card machines located in the Campus Center, Hunt Hall, Library and in East Campus Commons available to purchase Flex Dollars. In addition, you may want to consider purchasing the Platinum or Silver Meal Plans next semester.
- What happens to unused Dining Dollars in my Meal Plan?**
Meal Plans are non-refundable and balances are forfeited at the end of each semester. Dining Dollars are tokens that you receive when you purchase a meal plan that you can use throughout the semester.
- Can I use my meal plan at Dunkin Donuts or Starbucks?**
No. Dunkin Donuts and Starbucks are a separate entity. Therefore, meal swipes and the Dining Dollars are not accepted. However, you can use cash and Flex Dollars at these locations.
- Can I give my unused meals to someone else?**
No. Meal swipes are non-transferable. If you wish to pay for someone’s meal, you can use your guest meals (5 per semester), Dining Dollars or Flex Dollars.
- What do I do if I am sick and unable to leave my residence hall for a meal?**
You can contact Health Services who will notify food services about your condition. You can then send someone with your Connect Card to pick up your meal.
- What do I do if I lose my Connect Card?**
Connect Cards are very valuable to students. Report a lost card immediately to the Connect Card office at 508-531-2897, or visit them in Room 10 of Hunt Hall. Replacement Connect Cards can be obtained for \$25.00.