
How It All Began...

EXTREME CAFETERIA MAKEOVER...A NATIONAL SHOWCASE FOR CUTTING EDGE SCHOOL NUTRITION SOLUTIONS FEEDING BODIES AND MINDS...FUELING OUR FUTURE

Think extreme makeovers are just for the home? Think again.

Remember the Lunch Lady? The hair net, the singing oven mitt, the sauce stained apron and the giant serving spoon doling out mystery meat casserole and making sure you took no more than your fair share, and you'd best take it, too! Times have changed!

Through the platform of **EXTREME CAFETERIA MAKEOVER** a team of Lunch Ladies joined forces with food service industry experts, planning and design experts and the local business community to meet this challenge head-on. Hand-in-hand they not only remodeled a physical plant, but implemented cutting edge solutions that demonstrate what's possible in merchandising, marketing, management, and fresh, cost-conscious menu ideas.

But for this **EXTREME CAFETERIA MAKEOVER** team this really was just the beginning. This extreme makeover is about people; individual lives woven together through shared struggle and triumph to become a community.

This **EXTREME CAFETERIA MAKEOVER** is the story of moms and dads, brothers and sisters, teachers, principals and Lunch Ladies sharing a community vision to make a difference...feeding bodies and minds...fueling our future.

Lunch Ladies take great pride in making school meals fresh, healthy, and visually attractive. Yet when students would step into their Glenville-Emmons cafeteria they were presented with a drab brown tile floor, exposed heating vents, battered tables, and a mishmash of serving equipment. And, the worn 50s ear décor is hardly vintage-cool.

That will all change this September as Diane Minear and Glenville-Emmons Superintendent Mark Roubinek applied for and won the **2009 EXTREME CAFETERIA MAKEOVER**. The contest was spearheaded by Learning ZoneXpress and the Minnesota School Nutrition Association.

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