

## MEAL PLANS AND X CASH FAQ's

### 1. What is the difference between "Meal Plan" and "Block Plan?"

All plans grant access to the Student Dining Hall. "Meal Plans" (Carte Blanche, 10 Meals and 14 Meals) are based on meals per week, whereas the "Block Plans" (45 Block and 120 Block) are based on meals per semester. Example: The 10 Meal Plan provides any 10 meals in the dining hall each week. The 120 Block Plan averages around seven meals per week, and the 45 Block Meal averages around three meals per week. Dining Dollars are accepted at the Gallagher Student Center and the Student Dining Hall for meal purchases. (A week begins with breakfast on Monday and ends with dinner on Sunday.)

### 2. What are the most popular meal plans?

The two most popular meal plans are the Carte Blanche Plan and the 14 Meal Plan.

### 3. How many days are in a semester and how do the "Block Plans" average out?

The average semester is between 101 and 115 days per semester. As mentioned above, the 120 Block Plan averages seven meals per week, and the 45 Block Meal averages three meals per week.

### 4. Can I use my Musketeer All Card more than once during each meal period?

The Carte Blanche, 120 Block and 45 Block Plans allow access to the Student Dining Hall more than once per meal period. The 10 Meal and 14 Meal Plans only permit one access per meal period (up to the limit of meals allowable per week). One of the biggest advantages to the Carte Blanche is that it is unlimited. This means that during one meal period, you could eat, leave, then come back and eat some more, or eat and, before leaving, fill a take-out container for later.

### 5. Can I buy my friend a meal using my meal plan?

The 120 and 45 Block Plans allow purchases for more than one meal at a time. All other meal plans, *including Carte Blanche*, allow access for the meal plan holder ONLY. You can always use your Dining Dollars at the Student Dining Hall to purchase a friend or relative a meal.

### 6. Can I let my friend use my card if I don't intend on eating during the meal period?

No. The meal plan holder must be present and possess his/her own All Card to gain access to the dining facilities. Anyone found attempting to use an All Card other than their own will result in confiscation of the card.

### 7. What if I lose my All Card or do not have it in my possession? Can I still eat?

**It is the University's policy that you carry your All Card with you at all times.** If your card is lost or stolen, please visit the All Card Account Management link ([www.xavier.edu/allcard](http://www.xavier.edu/allcard)) or the MyXU Student Services Tab to "deactivate" your All Card. Then please come to the Office of Campus Dining to gain access to the Student Dining Hall. Your meal plan will be unavailable until your old card is found or replaced.

### 8. What are Dining Dollars and where may I use them?

Dining Dollars are monies used only for campus food services in association with your meal plan program. This includes all retail food services in the Gallagher Student Center.

### 9. What is the difference between Dining Dollars and X CASH?

Dining Dollars are included with your meal plan. X CASH is a pre-paid flexible, separate spending account that may be used at **all** dining facilities, as well as the Bookstore, Campus Post Office, Library, Vending and Laundry services.

### 10. Can I purchase more Dining Dollars if I use all of them before the end of the semester?

No. You are not permitted to replenish Dining Dollars; however, you can add X Cash, which enables you to continue spending funds uninterrupted.

### 11. What if I have remaining Dining Dollars at the end of the semester?

Your Dining Dollars will carry over from fall semester to spring semester. However, any remaining Dining Dollars at the end of the academic year will be forfeited. Please note: All Dining Dollars expire after the last meal plan day in the calendar year. If you have taken advantage of the X CASH provisions, those funds continue to be available for use.

### 12. How do I change my plan if I find that the one I chose isn't what I need?

**Your meal plan may only be changed during the first week of each semester.** During this time, you can change your plan at the Office of Campus Dining or the Office of Residence Life.

### 13. I am considering signing up for another meal plan next year. What are the benefits?

You will continue to enjoy the convenience of not having to go off campus for groceries or having to cook your own food. You can continue to utilize your All Card for convenient secure "cashless" transactions. A great convenience!