



Dining and Catering on Campus

HELPFUL BACKGROUND INFO

1. **Aramark** is West Chester University's dining services contractor, managing the Commons Dining Hall, the Sykes Food Court, and other retail locations on campus
2. Catering on campus over \$250 goes through **Aramark's New Street Catering**, who can work with offices to create plant-based menus
3. Some food trucks on Church Street allow customers to use personal reusable containers in lieu of plastic disposables—just ask!
4. The Sustainability Council's **Sustainable Food Systems Committee** works with campus partners to make campus dining options more sustainable
5. **The North and South Campus Gardens** and the Business and Public Management Center have accessible composting locations with information on the items they accept



CHECKLIST OF TO-DOS

- For offices with kitchens, provide:
 - Durable/reusable dishes and utensils
 - Condiments in bulk containers, not single serve packets
 - Environmentally friendly dishwashing soap
- Encourage employees to:
 - Use cloth towels and napkins instead of paper
 - Drink filtered or tap water from reusable vessels instead of bottled water
 - Bring meals from home in reusable containers with reusable utensils
 - Find and share solutions to reduce and compost our food waste
 - Ask coffee shop staff to serve drinks in ceramic, washable mugs or in your own reusable mug
- When coordinating with caterers, including Aramark's New Street Catering:
 - Order fully or primarily plant-based menus (beef, pork, fish and fowl have higher carbon footprints than vegetables, fruits, grains, and legumes)
 - Ask for reusable dishware, utensils, and napkins; avoid single-use plastics and polystyrene (aka "Styrofoam")
 - Request organic, locally sourced foods, when available

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND HELP

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For more Green Office Program info sheets, [visit our website](#).

Reach out to the Green Office Program team at sustainability@wcupa.edu with other creative solutions!

