

# THE CULINARY CONNECTION

Monthly Dining News at Mercer University-Macon

FEB 2025

## Take the Survey WE'RE LISTENING.

Our dining spaces bring students, faculty, and staff together, and your feedback helps us enhance the experience. Take the survey today and help shape the future of campus dining!



This icon represents our response to your feedback.

Sous Chef Mark Hayes pictured on the students' favorite day to dine: Fried Chicken Wednesday. We also now serve **Made-Without-Gluten Fried Chicken** on Wednesdays at our **True Balance** station. )))



Meal pictured is from Jesse's Home Cooked Favorites station.

## MEAL MEMBERSHIP perks



Meal plans are not only convenient, but they also offer great value by providing consistent, budget-friendly meals without the hassle of grocery shopping, cooking, or cleaning. Here are some key benefits of campus dining plans to consider:

- Cost:** Meal plans can save money because you pay less per meal than if you were to pay cash whether you are eating on campus or off.
- Convenience:** Meal plans can save time because you don't have to grocery shop, cook, or do the dishes at home.
- Dining options:** Meal plans give you access to all-you-care-to-eat dining in the dining halls which includes plant-based, allergen-friendly options, plus halal-certified bone-in chicken. Select meal plans also offer meal exchanges which can be used in our retail locations.
- Experience:** Our team is dedicated to providing not only delicious food but also a welcoming college experience that feels like a home away from home.

## green to go



As part of our commitment to convenience and sustainability, we offer the Green To Go program at Fresh Food Company and Farmers Market.

### Here's how it works:

✓ **Opt In:** Pay a one-time \$6 fee to join and receive your first reusable container.

**Swap & Go:** Return your used container to FFC or Farmers and exchange it for a clean one.

👉 **Fill & Enjoy:** Choose your menu items, pack them in your container, and take your meal to go!

Join us in reducing waste while enjoying your favorite meals on the move! )))

## RAMADAN

February 28 - March 29

Pre-order halal-friendly provisions for Ramadan. Only students on a meal plan are eligible. Register by noon Friday, Feb. 21. )))

Scan to Register



## Happening Soon at Your Favorite Locations



### \$2 Fridays

From **Feb. 14 to April 25:** visit the Costa Coffee machine **every Friday** for **any size and any type** of coffee for just \$2! )))



### Limited Time Offers

**Key Lime Lemonade** and **Key Lime Frosted Lemonade** arriving at UC Chick-fil-A the **week of Feb. 17!**



## DID YOU KNOW?!



**Commuter students and those with 90+ credit hours are eligible for any meal plan.**

### Find Your Fit

The Find Your Fit Meal Plan Tool helps determine which meal plan is best for students by providing a series of questions and having a list of meal plans they are eligible to purchase display in a ranked order based on preferences.



Scan To Find Your Fit

Visit [mercer.campusdish.com](http://mercer.campusdish.com) to find your fit.

## Spring Break



### Yes, We're Open

**Spring Break 2025 is March 3-7!** If you are staying on campus during your break, be sure to check our website or social media for open dining locations and hours of operation.

### Tap. Heat. Eat!

Located the Connell Student Center lobby, the **Just Baked hot food vending machine** will offer 24/7 access to fast and ready-to-eat meals. Details to be announced. )))





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## Don't miss what's cooking at Mercer University!

### Upcoming Events:

- **Taste Around the World: Italy**  
Thursday, Feb. 13, 11a-2p @ FFC
- **Random Acts of Kindness: Make Friendship Bracelets**  
Monday, Feb. 17, 12p-2p @ Farmers Market
- **Taste Around the World: Brazil**  
Thursday, Feb. 20, 11a-2p @ FFC



You make a difference everyday with your acts of kindness!

Come to our sharing love, spreading kindness lunch event on **Thursday, Feb. 13 at FFC, 11a-2p!**



Celebrate with friends or treat yourself with little extra love on your plate!

Join us for XOXO Brunch @ Farmers Market from 11a to 2p and indulge in a delicious spread of sweet and savory brunch favorites on **Friday, Feb. 14.**

## DO YOU HAVE YOUR TASTE AROUND THE WORLD PASSPORT YET?

### How it works:

1. Pick up your passport at the FFC front desk.
2. Attend "Taste Around the World" events and collect a stamp for each one.
3. At the end of the semester, if you have attended at least six TATW events, submit your passport with your name and phone number for a chance to win the grand prize!



Fall 2024 Winner



## FEBRUARY IS HEART HEALTH MONTH

### TAKE CHARGE TUESDAY

Twice a month, we host "Take Charge Tuesday," a health and wellness initiative focused on empowering you with knowledge and resources for a healthier lifestyle. Join us and take charge of your health. Look for event details on our Instagram and Facebook @mercerculinarygroup!

Coming Up: Smoothie Bike with Blueberry Smoothies | Feb. 18 | 11a-2p @ FFC



## Residential & Retail Locations

### CONNELL STUDENT CENTER

Fresh Food Company: Mon-Fri 7a-8p | Sat-Sun 9a-8p  
The Drop: Mon-Thur 11a-10p | Fri 11a-3p | Closed Sat | Sun 4-10p

### UNIVERSITY CENTER

Farmers Market: Mon-Thur 11a-8p | Fri 11a-2p | Closed Sat-Sun  
Chick-fil-A: Mon-Thur 8a-10p | Fri 8a-8p | Sat 10:30a-8p | Closed Sun  
Panda Express: Mon-Sat 11a-7p | Closed Sun

### TARVER LIBRARY

Einstein Bros. Bagels: Mon-Thur 7:30a-Midnight | Fri 7:30a-3p  
Closed Sat | Sun 10:30a-Midnight



## All Your Foodie Feels.

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