# Food Insecurity Program

#### **USask Culinary Services**

The Government of Canada defines food insecurity as the inability to acquire or consume an adequate diet quality or sufficient quantity of food in socially acceptable ways, or the uncertainty that one will be able to do so.

## 141

Number of meals provided during the 2023/24 academic year to 47 students.

The supplemental meal swipe program provides immediate assistance to any USask student experiencing food insecurity. The program is intended for students in need without access to food or meals.

#### Marquis Culinary Centre

- The Marquis Culinary Centre is a unique open kitchen all-youcare-to-eat concept offering many food stations and a rotational menu.
- Our menu includes a large selection of items at multiple food stations that are prepared fresh in small batches. This all-you-care-to eat concept allows guests to build their plate based on their needs, choose portions, and try new dishes.

#### What is Provided?

The Food Insecurity Program allows students to access healthy food on campus.



#### Steps to Acquiring the Food Insecurity Program

- Discretely and confidentially request application at <u>https://culinaryservices.</u> <u>usask.ca/culinary-</u> <u>supports-and-</u> <u>initiatives/supplemental-</u> <u>meal-swipe-form.php</u>
- The request is received and the plan activated on the student card on the next regular business day (Monday-Friday). Students receive a notification that the application is accepted and when first meal would be available.
- Three meal swipes are loaded onto the Student Card and can be used at the Marquis Culinary Centre.
- Once activated the meals expire in 3 days.

### Providing for our students



Student Affairs and Outreach and Student Life are made aware of these meals being added to a students account



A member of the team will contact the student and offer to meet to further discuss any barriers for them as a student If students have immediate questions about meals on their card or to get more information about how they can use the supplemental meals, they can contact the meal plan office at 306-966-6791.