

2023-24 Supplemental Food Plan (SFP) Important Information

AMDA recognizes that being a student in higher education can be stressful - and costly - and being hungry may only add to the stress!

AMDA NY's Supplemental Food Plan for students! While this declining balance meal plan is not meant to carry you day-and-night, it's a great option to ensure that you're able to have a meal and/or snack(s)

on campus throughout your busy day of classes and rehearsals.

- **\$2,520 - 1st Year Residential SFP Plan (\$1,260 per term)**
- **\$1,800 - 1st Year Non-Residential SFP Plan (\$900 per term)**

Frequently Asked Questions:

What is the SFP Card?

- Think of the SFP card as a debit card with a declining balance that can be used at the **Baguette & Co. Café** on the 3rd floor of the 61st Street building and the **Brunch** restaurant on Broadway between 78th and 79th Streets. When you purchase an item, the amount you spend is subtracted from your balance.

Is the SFP required?

- *The Supplemental Food Plan is a required plan for all first year students, and it's included in the tuition costs.* For any questions regarding this plan, please contact the AMDA NY Financial Aid Department at financialaidny@amda.edu.

How should I use the SFP?

- Students are encouraged to use their declining balance in whatever way works for them. For example, a student may spend \$50 on Monday at **Baguette & Co. Café** or **Brunch** and \$5 on Tuesday. There is no cap on how much a student can spend in one day. There is no minimum, either. As a guide, the cost of the SFP breaks down to roughly \$12 per day, so if a student uses the SFP daily they would budget for this amount.

Is the SFP considered a full meal plan?

- No, the SFP is meant to supplement a student's daily food allowance. Since students will be on-campus (in classes or rehearsals) most of the day, the SFP is a practical, supplemental plan.

Can SFP be waived?

Since the SFP is designed to ensure students are getting the nutrition they need to be successful at AMDA, it generally cannot be waived. If you feel the food served by the SFP is inaccessible to you due to a disability, allergy, or other medical condition, please contact Accessibility Services at nyaccessibility@amda.edu as soon as possible. Any waiver request made after Week 3 may not be processed during the current semester.

How can I find out my balance, and add Dining Dollars to my account?

- You may view your balance by accessing your meal card link, emailing Baguette & Co. to thecafeamda@gmail.com or reaching out to the NY Financial Aid department via email to financialaidny@amda.edu. Students may add Dining Dollars to their account at the café on the 3rd floor of the 61st Street building.

How is Baguette & Co. and Brunch affiliated with AMDA?

- Baguette & Co. and Brunch is operated and owned by Baguette and Co. However, AMDA has an excellent working relationship with them, and they communicate on a regular basis to collaboratively ensure the best product (cost and quality) is being offered to our students, faculty, administration and staff.

If I withdraw or take a leave of absence from AMDA, will I be refunded the unused balance of my SFP from Baguette & Co.?

- If you withdraw before the 8th week of the Semester AMDA will credit the unused SFP balance to the student's account.
- If taking a Leave of Absence, any unused SFP funds will be credited back to the student's account.

Will my Dining Dollars roll over from term to term?

- Unused SFP funds will roll over from term to term while you are attending AMDA, but after graduation or upon leaving AMDA all funds will be forfeited if not exhausted, so please be sure to use up your balance by graduation.

Where can I use my SPF Declining Balance Card?

The SPF Declining Balance Card is accepted at the following locations:

Baguette & Co. Café - 61st Street Building, 3rd Floor

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Brunch Restaurant - Broadway between 78th and 79th Streets

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

If I misplace my SPF Declining Balance Card or have any additional questions, who do I contact?

- Please do not hesitate contacting Yaron or Robert with Baguette & Co. at thecafeamda@gmail.com or speak with a person at the 61st Street café location.

What happens to unused SFP funds at the end of the semester?

- Unused SFP funds will roll over from term to term while you are attending AMDA, but after graduation or upon leaving AMDA all funds will be forfeited if not exhausted, so please be sure to use up your balance by graduation.