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Caf rules

Inconsistent Caf policies confuse students and staff alike

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Under new management, the Caf has undergone some changes to its food options, staff members, and policies this year, but there seems to be some confusion as to what these new policies actually are.

In recent weeks student have taken to Yik Yak, a popular social media app that sparked controversy at BC last year. The Clarion covered this debate in our Oct. 8, 2014 issue. Students used the app to voice complaints about Caf staff members stopping them from taking food out of the Caf.

Urban dictionary defines Yik Yak as, "A mobile app college kids use to anonymously talk [bad] and post witty things to people nearby." Essentially, the app is like an anonymous, location oriented, twitter feed.

In one Yak, a student complained of being stopped from taking cafeteria food to his sick roommate. Another student complained about being forbidden to take more than one cookie outside of the cafeteria. Students have also reported being stopped for taking a peanut butter and jelly sandwich to-go in-between classes, which admittedly is offered in Coltrane at lunch, or taking fruit to their room.

Many of us are left wondering: what exactly are the Caf rules? According to BC Cafeteria Chef in charge "Sarj," the rules about what students are allowed to carry outside of the cafeteria are as follows: a beverage in a travel mug or water bottle, a piece of fruit, an ice cream cone, or a desert. "We just are asking students to be reasonable" Sarj said in an interview.

"Students talk. If a student has a sick roommate and wants to take a meal to them all we ask is for them to communicate with us. We are reasonable people" Sarj said. He also added that the he would like to strongly encourage stu-

dents to use the Coltrane Grill meal exchange option for those who are have class through lunch hours.

When speaking with another Caf employee, who preferred to remain unnamed, the rules seem to be far more uncertain.

"The truth is, they change every day," the employee said. "A piece of fruit, maybe two here or there, or some cookies? That's fine. But if you have three apples, six oranges, and a bunch of bananas, that's not a snack that's a fruit salad!"

There is no specific policy dictated to employees about what or how much food exactly a student can take out of the cafeteria. One day a student will get "yelled" at for taking more than one cookie with them to class, while other days a student might slip out with an entire pocketful without being stopped.

While it appears that the lack of consistent enforcement of any policy is causing confusion for students and employees alike, the Caf workers also don't want to remain obstinate to changing circumstances.

"We want to be reasonable with the students, and we want the students to be reasonable with us, but situations can change," said another Caf employee. "If I see a student that I know is a good kid ask to take a plate with him inbetween classes, then I'll go ahead and let him, as long as he always brings the plate back. The problem is when students come in here and pack a picnic with a bunch of sandwiches to take with them or steal a plate of cookies. That's not okay"

As this new "in house" dining service continues to serve students, controversy will inevitably arise as change is implemented. It appears though, that the Caf staff members really do try to please the students, and they are more than willing to cooperate with students.

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in the library on Mar. 16 for seniors to organize and finalize anything that needs

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