

TU Dublin Canteen Protest

Student Council Notes:

Students recognise the increasing prices of all items on menu has been a growing concern amongst all members of the university. Prices increasing by over a minimum of 50% is not something that should be established as a norm.

Student Council Further Notes:

That price disparities have become commonplace amongst campuses due to the different catering companies; KSG for Tallaght and Blanchardstown, and Aramark/Sodexo for City. Consistency should be a minimum standard amongst campuses. Alongside these other issues, the menu is distinctly lacking in vegetarian/vegan/celiac options for students.

Student Council Regrets:

The distinct lack of microwaves amongst the campuses by the influence of the catering companies. This heavily effects students who can't afford to buy food from the canteens.

Student Council Further Regrets:

Pay-to-seat service seems to be in place for many campus canteens. Canteens should not be restricted to those solely dining but rather a safe space for conversation and community under the prospect of dining. Activities such as card games or just general conversation in some cases also seem to be prohibited.

Student Council Mandates

The Executive to organise a protest in either this semester or next semester inside their canteens to combat the prices, the use of microwaves inside canteen spaces and the use of seats in the canteen.

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