

# I'm so Hungry, I Could Eat

## School Lunch



In the middle of a stressful day, students could always find others to socialize with in the Commons. The Commons found many uses. It was used as a place to meet, a place to chat, a place to eat, and probably one of the top places to do homework for first-period classes.

Most students came to school early to find the Commons as a refuge. In the morning, the social arena buzzed with gossip and plans for the rest of the day. Talking to friends was always a good reason for coming to school early while others needed that extra time to study for that notorious French exam or to finish overdue homework.

The Commons also served as a lunch room — obviously the main reason for its design. When the lunch bell rang, students rushed to the Commons to satisfy their growling

**Taster's Choice.** Junior Isiah Richards and senior Jimmie Roberts consume a healthy lunch. Although some students brought lunch, many ate school lunch instead at a cost of \$1.00.

stomachs. Why was the "short line" always longer than the "long line"? Who knows, but both lines served a lunchtime buffet.

Other students rushed to the Commons to satisfy their need to converse. To these students, seeing their friends and sharing a few laughs were a lot more important than eating the lunchroom delica-



sies. They got a chance to catch up on the events of the day, but the thirty minutes always seemed much too little time.

"Since lunch was the only class I could pass, it was definitely my favorite," said senior Stevie McMillan.

Some students also used the telephone located in the Commons during lunches and between classes. This pay phone provided students with a chance to call that special someone, friends outside school, or parents.

The Commons also opened up the opportunity for advertisements and small fundraisers. The Commons also had its share of posters and banners in honor of the football, basketball, and other sports teams.

— Jason Ward  
and  
Karen Beach

**A Time for Change.** Kawana Robinson and Latoya Kelley make their way through the Commons to the next class. Sometimes this route was too crowded to attempt getting through.