To reinforce positive behavior and communicate with parents, Utica publishes a newsletter, *The Express*, whose January 2011 issue reported on proper cafeteria behavior at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School.

**M.L. King Students Learn About Cafeteria**

This month in PBIS (Positive Behavioral Intervention & Supports) students learned **safe, respectful and responsible cafeteria behavior. Students now have the opportunity to earn King Coins in the Cafeteria.** Cafeteria expectations include:

- Walking in a line
- Keeping hands and feet to ourselves and sitting properly
- Following monitor’s directions and raising our hand if we need their attention
- Using a voice level of 2 when socializing with friends
- Using good manners—”hello,” “please” and “thank you” in the lunch line
- Cleaning up after ourselves

**All are skills most children are expected to use at home.**

Our hope is that students will be able to enjoy this important part of their day even more. Please take time this month to **ask your child about the rules of the cafeteria** and if the monitors have “caught” their positive behaviors by **awarding King Coins.**

**Thank you for all you do** and please help us by encouraging your children to do their best to meet these important, skill-building expectations!