

WORKING TO BE A**Counter Attendant****What type of education is needed to be a counter attendant?**

- High school diploma or equivalent is preferred
- Position can be learned through on the job training

What licenses or certifications are needed to be a counter attendant?

- None required

What does a counter attendant do?

- Serves food and beverages to customers at a counter or lunchroom
- Portions out soups and desserts and prepare salads and beverages
- Calls orders to the kitchen and serves them when they are ready
- Brews coffee and tea
- Refills drinks when needed
- Calculates customer bills and takes payments; calculates change if needed
- Adds condiments to dishes if needed
- Keeps counters and work areas clean; may wash glasses or other tableware

What is the work environment like for a counter attendant?

- Indoors, the kitchen area may be very warm
- Can be hazardous from grease and spills but using the correct safety precautions can reduce chances of accidents
- Requires long periods of standing, bending, and lifting
- May be full time or part time

What is the normal pay range for a counter attendant?

- \$5.50–\$8.92 per hour

How can a counter attendant grow in their field?

- Can become a supervisor
- Through training and experience, can move into a related career in food service

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