Food service copes with crowding

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Brammer pointed out that MIT Food Services need to close on the weekend to encourage students to eat off-campus.

Meat plans altered

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