UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 13, 2025



PORTILLO'S INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

001-40951 (Commission File Number) 2001 Spring Road, Suite 400, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523

87-1104304 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices) (630) 954-3773 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

 \square Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Trading Symbol PTLO

Name of each exchange on which registered Nasdaq Global Select Market

Item 7.01, Regulation FD Disclosure.

Portillo's Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), will be participating in the 2025 ICR Conference on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time. The Corporation's Chief Executive Officer, Michael Osanloo, Chief Financial Officer, Michael Hook, and Chief Information Officer, Keith Correia, will present at the 2025 ICR Conference. A copy of the presentation to be used is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is also available on the Corporation's website at http://investors.portillos.com

The information contained in this Item 7.01, including the related information set forth in the presentation attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein, is being "furnished" and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act or otherwise. The information in this Item 7.01 shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or into any filing or other document pursuant to the Exchange Act, except as otherwise expressly stated in any such filing

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This presentation contains forward-looking statements, within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 ("PSLRA"). All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements discuss our current expectations and projections relating to our financial position, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business, and are based on currently available operating, financial and competitive information which are subject to various risks and uncertainties, so you should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. You can identify forward-looking statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. These statements may include words such as "aim," "anticipate," "believe," "commit," "estimate," "expective statements may include words such as "aim," anticipate," "believe," "commit," "estimate," "expective statements may include words such as "aim," anticipate," "believe," "commit," "estimate," "expective statements may include words such as "aim," anticipate," "believe," "commit," "estimate," estimate," e "expect." "forecast," "outlook," "potential," "project," "projection," "plan," "intend," "seek," "may," "could," "would," "will," "should," "can," "can have," "likely," the negatives thereof and other similar expressions.

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- risks related to or arising from our organizational structure:
- risks of food-borne illness and food safety and other health concerns about our food;
- risks relating to the economy and financial markets, including inflation, fluctuating interest rates, stock market activity, or other factors; the impact of unionization activities of our Team Members on our reputation, operations and profitability;
- risks associated with our reliance on certain information technology systems, including our new enterprise resource planning system, and potential failures or interruptions; privacy and cyber security risks related to information technology systems, including our digital ordering and payment platforms for our delivery business;
- the impact of competition, including from our competitors in the restaurant industry or our own restaurants; the increasingly competitive labor market and our ability to attract and retain the best talent and qualified employees;
- the impact of federal, state or local government regulations relating to privacy, data protection, advertising and consumer protection, building and zoning requirements, labor and employment matters, costs of or ability to open new restaurants, or the sale of food and alcoholic beverages;
- the inability to achieve our growth strategy, such as the availability of suitable new restaurant sites in existing and new markets and opening of new restaurants at the anticipated rate and on the anticipated timeline:
- the impact of consumer sentiment and other economic factors on our sales;
- increases in food and other operating costs, tariffs and import taxes, and supply shortages; and
- other risks identified in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

All forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. You should evaluate all forward-looking statements made in this presentation in the context of the risks and uncertainties disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 filed with the SEC on February 27, 2024, and subsequent filings with the SEC. All of the Company's SEC filings are available on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. The forward-looking statements included in this presentation are made only as of the date hereof. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

 Description

 2025 ICR Conference Presentation

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(d) Exhibits. Exhibit Number 99.1 104

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Portillo's Inc. (Registrant)

Date: January 13, 2025

By:

/s/ Michelle Hook Michelle Hook Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)



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This presentation includes certain non-GAAP measures as defined under SEC rules, including Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA Margin, Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA and Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA margin. Reconciliations and definitions are included in the Appendix to this presentation.





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Portillo's	Portillo's doesn	't prompt for tips, bu	it these brands do			
	POTBELLY	SHAKE SHACK	sweetgreen	FIVE GUYS DURGERS and FRED		
	 Wreck Sandwich Chips + Drink 	• Shackburger • Fries • Small Soft Drink	 Kale Caesar Salad with Chicken Spindrift Water 	 Little Cheese- burger Little Fries Regular Drink 	 Steak Burrito Chips Small Soft Drink 	 Harissa Avocado Boy Pita Chips Small Drink
ltalian Beef Small Fries Small Soft Drink	\$13.58	\$15.47	\$16.70	\$17.37	\$15.90	\$22.4
\$13.57	\$14.94	With su	ggested tip \$18.49	\$19.54		

PORTILLO'S BRAND REPUTATION IS OUR BIGGEST STRENGTH AS WE EXPAND

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#1 Based on Taste, Value, and Quality

in Morgan Stanley 2024 Consumer Survey⁽¹⁾





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ACCELERATING GROWTH



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IMPROVING DRIVE-THRU EFFICIENCY

INCREASE THROUGHPUT AND BOOST TRAFFIC

Goal: Reduce Drive-Thru Wait Times from ~6 minutes to ~5 minutes

Status: achieved 15-second improvement, targeting 45 more seconds



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LAUNCHED KIOSKS

(1) Compared to dine-in non-kiosk transactions

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IMPROVING MIX AND INCREASING AVERAGE TICKET



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... and still innovating to drive adoption and ticket lift



LAUNCHING LOYALTY PROGRAM

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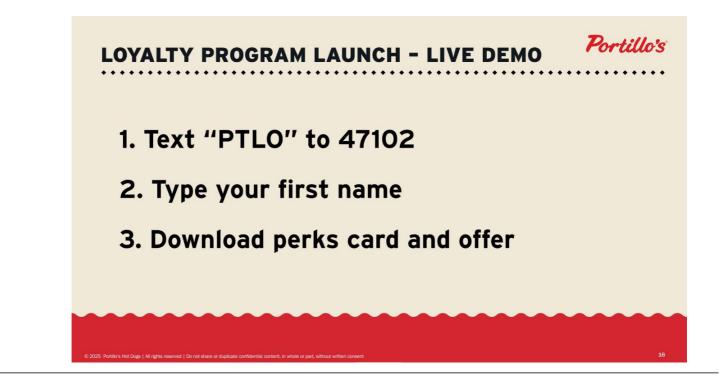
DRIVING TRAFFIC THROUGH INCREASED TRIP FREQUENCY

PORTILLO'S PERKS PROGRAM

- App-less loyalty program driven by Digital Wallet – no download required
- Digital card tracks visits and sends offers and recognition badges based on individual habits
- Unlocks opportunity to surprise and delight loyal guests with gamification and enhanced experiences

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LOYALTY PROGRAM LAUNCH - LIVE DEMO

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ADVERTISING BEYOND CHICAGO

DRIVING REVENUE VIA AWARENESS & TRIAL



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HOUSTON MENU TEST

DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THROUGHPUT AND REDUCE CAPEX



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HYPOTHESES

A streamlined Portillo's menu can:

1 Drive speed + accuracy

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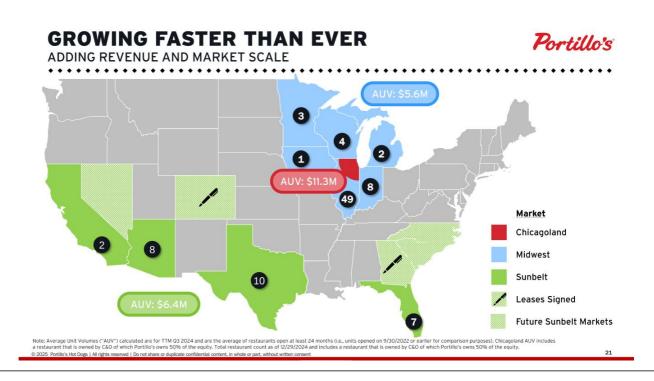
- 2 Simplify training and processes
- 3 Assist in reducing restaurant size and cost
- Enable small-format, high-volume walk-up locations for airport and urban centers

DETAILS

Testing in Houston the removal of 32 SKUs and ~14% of P-Mix by removing:

- Char items (Polish, Italian Sausage, Combo)
- Beef & Cheddar Croissant, Beef Bowls
- Jumbo Dogs
- Fish Sandwich
- · Greek Salad & Chicken Pecan Salad
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Éclair Cake & Strawberry Shortcake
- Alcohol





OPTIMIZING THE SIZE AND COST OF OUR RESTAURANTS

IMPROVES CASH ON CASH RETURNS

lestaurant lass:	Legacy Builds	2023	2024	2025	
	Roseville, MN	Atten, TX	Grapevine, TX	Stafford, TX	2026 Cost Will Reduce Even Mor
verage Build Cost	~\$7.0M - 8.0M	\$6.7M	~\$6.6M ⁽¹⁾	\$5.2 - 5.5M 📫	More size reduction in Restaurant of the Future Exploring alternate real
Square Footage	9,000 - 11,100 sq. ft.	7,700 sq. ft.	7,700 → 6,250 sq. ft.	6,250 sq. ft.	estate financing structu
Kitchen Line Length	85 - 105 feet	65 feet	65 ightarrow 47 feet	47 feet	

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(1) Preliminary and unaudited, subject to change based upon invoice reconciliations and completion of the audit and the Form 10-K for fiscal year ended December 29, 2024. Excludes 1 restaurant in Livonia, MI location that was a multi-year build with deal complexity which is non-comparable.

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CASH-ON-CASH RETURN TARGETS . .

\$ in millions	Current Targeted Return	ROTF 2.0 (Further Reduced Build Cost)	Mix in Alternate Financing (more tenant allowance, lease buildings in select locations)
AUV	\$5.9 - \$6.3M	\$5.9 - \$6.3M	\$5.9 - \$6.3M
AVG RL Adj. EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$1.3 - \$1.4M	\$1.3 - \$1.4M	\$1.2 - \$1.3M
RL Adj. EBITDA % ⁽¹⁾	22%+	22%+	20%+
Buildout Costs ⁽²⁾	\$5.2 - 5.5M	\$4.8 - 5.2M	\$3.8 - 4.2M
Cash-on-Cash Return per Class ⁽³⁾	25% (year 3)	27% (year 3)	30-35% (year 3)

We are unable to recordle the Average Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA and Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA Margin to the corresponding U.S. GAAP measure, due to variability and difficulty in making accurate forecasts and projections and because not all information necessary to prepare the reconciliation is available to us without unreasonable efforts. For the same reasons, we are unable to address the gradaP measure.
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PEOPLE PIPELINE SUPPORTS GROWTH



ACCELERATED LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

91 Team Members Developed for Future Management Positions¹

77% Internal Promotion Rate

4+ Years Average Portillo's Tenure of a DFW GM



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BOLSTERED LEADERSHIP TEAM



Keith Correia Chief Information Officer 2024



Tony Darden Chief Operating Officer 2024







STRATEGIC PRIORITIES DRIVE BUSINESS RESULTS

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Traffic	Improve Drive Thru Efficiency	Launching Loyalty Program	Advertising Beyond Chicago
Mix	Launched Kiosks		
Margins ¢ Returns	Optimize the Size of our Box	Houston Menu Test	

PRELIMINARY 2024 KEY FINANCIAL RESULTS(1) Portillo's

	Q4	FY 2024
Same-Restaurant Sales ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	+0.3%	-0.6%
Price	4.7%	4.6%
Transactions	(3.7%)	(3.2%)
Mix	(0.7%)	(2.0%)
Total Revenue	\$184.6M	\$710.6M
Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA ⁽⁴⁾	\$45.2M	\$168.1M
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽⁵⁾	\$25.4M	\$105.0M
(1) Results are preliminary and unaudited, subject to change based upon completion of the audit and the Form 10-K for		

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2025 KEY FINANCAL TARGETS

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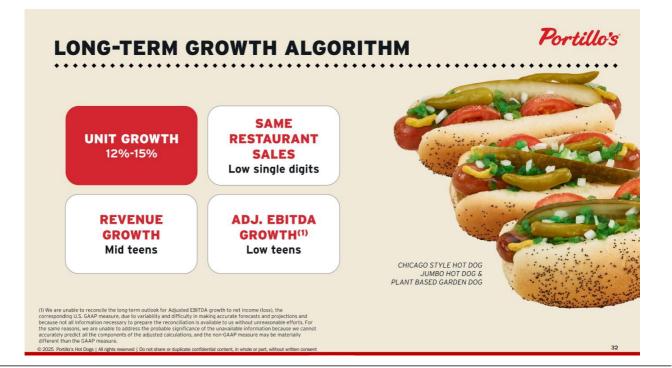
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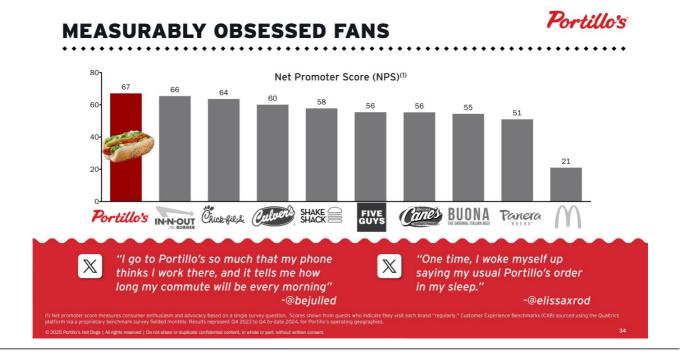
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		New Restaurants by Quarter
12 New Restaurants		Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4
		1 1-2 2-3 6-7
Commodity Inflation	3% to 5%	• All expected to be in Sunbelt except 1 in
Labor Inflation	3% to 4%	 75% expected to be in Texas (Dallas, Hou and entering the San Antonio market)
Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA Margin ⁽¹⁾	22.5% to 23%	 Entering the Atlanta market
G&A Expenses	\$82M to \$84M	Expected to be final year of heavy Q4 time
Pre-Opening Expenses	\$11M to \$12M	Capital Expenditure Detail
Capital Expenditures	\$97M to \$100M>	 ~80% on NROs 5-8% Class of 2024 spillover 60-65% Class of 2025 10-15% Early Class of 2026
		~10% on Existing Restaurant Investmen
		~10% on Other Discretionary







ADJUSTED EBITDA RECONCILIATION

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	LTM	
	September 29, 2024	
Net income	\$ 32,294	
Net income margin	4.5 %	
Depreciation and amortization	27,254	
Interest expense	26,514	
Interest income	(300)	
Income tax expense	4,541	
EBITDA	90,303	
Deferred rent (1)	5,172	
Equity-based compensation	12,721	
Cloud-based software implementation costs (2)	766	
Amortization of cloud-based software implementation costs (3)	366	
Other loss (4)	208	
Transaction-related fees & expenses (5)	542	
Tax Receivable Agreement liability adjustment (6)	(4,382)	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 105,696	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin (7)	14.8 %	
(1) Represents the difference between cash rent payments and the recognition of straight-line rent expens	e recognized over the lease term.	

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 (c) Represents non-capitalized third party consulting and othware licensing costs incurred in connection with the implementation of new enterprise resource planning ("ERP") and human capital management ("HCM") systems which are included within general and administrative expenses.
 (a) Represents contribution of capitalized cloud-based ERP system implementation costs that are included within general and administrative expenses.
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RESTAURANT-LEVEL ADJUSTED EBITDA RECONCILIATION Portillo's

	LTM		
	Septe	mber 29, 2024	
Operating income	\$	58,667	
Operating income margin		8.2 %	
General and administrative expenses		76,336	
Pre-opening expenses		9,260	
Depreciation and amortization		27,254	
Net Income attributable to equity method investment		(1,314)	
Other income, net		(1,581)	
Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA	\$	168,622	
Restaurant-Level Adjusted EBITDA Margin		23.6 %	

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