

School Cafeteria

Parents are invited to eat breakfast or lunch with their children anytime. The prices are as follows:

BREAKFAST and LUNCH

Daily Breakfast \$1.35 **DAILY LUNCH** \$2.50

Adult Meals – A la Carte

Milk \$0.60



Purchasing Meals in Advance

The cafeteria establishes an account for each student by using a number for identification. A computer-based debit card system keeps a record of all transactions for each account. Parents may choose to prepay accounts to eliminate the need to send money daily. This is recommended since it simplifies cafeteria procedures. Parents may also establish master accounts of the children in their family. Parents may also pay accounts through an internet based account manager. Please see the NHCS webpage for information.

Free and Reduced Lunch Program

All children will be given the opportunity to apply for free or reduced lunch. Application forms will be distributed at the beginning of the school year. If you are applying, it is important that we have a form for every child in your family. Any changes in your family or monetary status will need to be reported on new forms.

Student Meal Charges

We realize that there may be times that your child will need to charge a lunch. Only students' meals may be charged. A la carte items can not be charged. Reminders about accumulated charges will be sent home periodically. The money will be applied towards the outstanding charges. Change from future cash sales will be held and applied toward the unpaid charges. Our cafeteria manager appreciates your cooperation in paying these charges promptly.

Students with Lunch Boxes

Teachers and paraeducators are not permitted to warm or refrigerate students' food for them.

Parent Visitation at Lunch

We welcome family members to eat lunch with their child. Please remember to sign in at the office and get a visitor's pass five minutes prior to your child's lunch time.

Do You Bring Food Into the School?

In an effort to keep everyone safe regarding food borne illnesses, please be aware of the following guidelines:

- As a general rule most baked goods (i.e. cookies, cakes, cup cakes, etc. prepared in domestic kitchens are not high-risk items and can be safely served in classrooms.
- Food prepared in a domestic setting can not be served in a school kitchen.
- Potentially hazardous food items prepared at home by a parent to be shared with other students carries a high risk factor and should not be served in the classrooms.
- All foods such as party trays purchased from commercial licensed facilities are inspected by the Health Department and would generally pose no serious health problems IF temperatures of potentially hazardous food items have been properly maintained.
- Cafeteria Managers will store perishable foods purchased from a commercial license facility for a short period of time not to exceed the day of the event.
- Only School Food Service Personnel are allowed behind the serving lines to eliminate possible contamination of food preparation surfaces.