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School Meal Charge Procedure

While the USDA Child Nutrition Program does not require that students who pay full-price and reduced-price for school meals be served a meal without payment, Volusia County Schools (VCS) has established this procedure as a courtesy.

Procedure:

Students that do not have cash in-hand or funds in his/her meal account to pay for a meal, will receive five (5) school meals. The account will be charged at the normal meal price based on student eligibility. The cost of each meal will be debited from the student's account, placing the account into a negative balance. After the five (5) school meals, student will be offered an alternate meal. Students will receive a sandwich and a juice, and their meal account will be charged \$0.40.

Parent/Guardians are responsible for all meal payments to the school. Notices of balance deficiencies are sent by Volusia Connect calls daily plus parents/guardians receive negative balance letters.

If financial hardships exist, parents and families are encourage to apply for free or reduced-price meal benefits for their child by visiting: <http://myvolusiaschools.org/schoolwaycafe/Pages/Free-and-Reduced-Meal-Applications.aspx> to apply for meal benefits.