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Important Update regarding Region 12 School Meals for Students 2022 – 2023

- Funding which provides free meals to all students will end effective January 3rd.
- Please complete a Free & Reduced Meal Application if you believe you qualify.

School Meals Assistance Revenue for Transition (SMART) funds providing meals at no cost for all students will end effective January 3rd. As of that date, students with Free meal status will continue to have their first meals at no cost. Paid and Reduced students will be charged for meals based on the price list below.

Middle/High Breakfast	\$2.25	Breakfast Reduced	\$.30		
Elementary Lunch	\$3.50	Middle/High Lunch	\$3.75	Lunch Reduced	\$.40

Why should I complete an application?

It is critical that households submit a free and reduced-priced meal application as soon as possible to determine a student's eligibility for this school year and avoid unpaid meal charges when SMART funds end effective January 3rd. Also, students who qualify for Free & Reduced Meals may be eligible for other benefits throughout the school year unrelated to food service.

Free & Reduced Meal Applications can be found on the school website under Food Services or on the link : [Application](#)

Information on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: [SNAP Information](#)

**** Important note: Effective Oct. 1st income guidelines have changed for SNAP benefits. If your children qualify for free school meals or milk, you might also qualify for SNAP. ****

Region 12 Schools are in the process of updating the School Meal Charging Policy which will be shared with families once it is approved.

Questions related to School Meals may be directed to Becky Tyrrell, Food Service Director at EdAdvance at Tyrrell@EdAdvance.org or 860-567-0863 ext. 1148.

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