



## HARRIS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### Subject: Lunch Balances, Refunds, and Donations

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Due to the executive order issued by Governor Kemp, Harris County Schools will remain closed for the remainder of this school year, and I would like to share some information about your children's meal account balance. But, first let me say how sad we are that we will not be seeing your children in the school cafeteria again this year. Please tell your children that the School Nutrition staff misses seeing them and wishes them well.

#### Account Balances

- For Pre-K – 11<sup>th</sup> grade students who have a positive meal account balance, the balance will be carried over to next school year. This applies even if your child is moving to a different school within the district. In this case, the balance will be transferred to the appropriate building.
- If your child's balance is negative, please pay the amount due by visiting [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com) or mailing a check or money order to Harris County School Nutrition, 132 Barnes Mill Road, Hamilton, GA 31811 before May 15, 2020. If you are sending a check, please include your child's name and student account number on the memo line.

#### Refunds and Donations

- If your student is withdrawing from our school system, we will refund your money. Please complete the cafeteria balance request form.
- Seniors who are graduating and have remaining account balances can elect to transfer the balance to a sibling, receive a refund, or donate to School Nutrition by completing the Cafeteria Request Balance form.

**Note:** If you would like to donate the balance of your child's meal account to help the school nutrition program, we will gratefully accept your gift. Donations received will be used to clear negative accounts for families who are unable to repay negative balances. This has the double benefit of providing the School Nutrition Department with extra funds to support the current free meals distribution and also benefit families who may be affected by the current economy. Please complete the cafeteria balance request form and thank you for your generosity. The refund process could take up to eight weeks to complete once the forms are completed.

In closing, we will continue to distribute free meals through May 18, 2020 to any child age 18 and younger every Monday from 11:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M. If this is a service that can help your family, please visit one of our food distribution sites. Feel free to contact me at 706-628-4172 or email [strozier-s@harris.k12.ga.us](mailto:strozier-s@harris.k12.ga.us) if you have any questions.

Nutritionally Yours,

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