



AVAILABLE NOW!

ON-LINE FREE AND REDUCED APPLICATIONS FOR WESTERVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

Westerville City Schools is excited to announce that families can apply on-line for your children to receive free or reduced price school meals. Your application will be sent from a secure website directly to Westerville City Schools. Your personal information remains confidential and secure.

www.linqconnect.com has been designed to make it easy for you to know exactly what information you will need to guide you through the process. Once your application has been received, the district office will determine your eligibility and will send you a letter with the results. www.linqconnect.com is an easy, secure, and convenient way to apply for free or reduced-price school meals.

TO APPLY: Simply go to www.linqconnect.com and click on **START MEAL APPLICATION**. *You must have the six-digit student ID number for each child on the application.* This ID number is found on the student report card, the student school schedule, and in Power School under your parent portal log-in. Additionally, many of the students know their ID number and may be able to provide that to you. If you are unable to locate this ID number through one of the methods listed, please feel free to call your child's school.

Paper applications are available at your child's school or the Food Service office located at 936 Eastwind Drive, Westerville, OH 43081 [614-797-5700 ext. 20210](tel:614-797-5700). You may also access the application through the district website.

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This portal will also allow you to view menus, access your children's transaction history, meal balances, and transfer money between your children's accounts. Detailed instructions on setting up the portal can be found on the district website food services page, or at the school office.



DEBIT/CREDIT CARD DEPOSITS FOR STUDENT CLASS AND ACTIVITY FEES, PRE-SCHOOL TUITION, AND MEAL PAYMENTS

SPS EZPay is a secure and convenient website application that allows parents to add to their child's meal account, pay school, class and activity fees, and/or Pre-School Tuition over the Internet using any Visa or MasterCard (including Debit Visa and MasterCard). **Please note that Food Service cannot take credit card payments at our office or at the schools; this is only available over the Internet. The use of EZPay is optional; we will continue to accept cash and checks for payment of fees or deposits into meal accounts.**

More detailed instructions on using the EZPay website can be found on the district website in the Food Services Departmental information section.

To log onto the EZPay website you may:

- (1) Visit the Westerville City Schools website at www.westerville.k12.oh.us. In the "District Links" section toward bottom of page, click on "EZ Pay", and you will be directed to the EZPay website;
- (2) You may go directly by entering the following web address:
www.spsezpay.com/SPSEZpay/NT/Login.aspx

LOST/FORGOTTEN SCHOOL BREAKFAST/LUNCH MONEY

Westerville City Schools recognizes that occasionally a student may forget, lose and/or encounter a zero cash balance in a student's personal breakfast/lunch account fund. The Office of Food Services is dedicated to ensuring that students are provided the opportunity to eat a nutritious breakfast and/or lunch at school – as there is a positive correlation between a healthy diet and academic success. Additionally, Food Service will continue to operate in a fiscally responsible manner. WCS Food Service operations are self-funded. **Please reference the Administrative Guidelines as posted on the district website under the Food Service Department for additional information on this guideline.**

BIOMETRIC FINGER SCANNING: Food Service utilizes Biometric Finger Scanning software which helps eliminate falsification of student ID's as well as increase the speed of our lines. Incoming students will be set up with their accounts during back to school days or during the first weeks of school.

FOOD ALLERGIES: Do you have a child with food allergies? Please visit the district website, follow the links to the Food Service Department, and you will find important information that is needed in order to make food substitutions in the cafeteria.

WAIVER: To ensure that your lunch status is secure and recognized by all school authorities please make sure you fill out the online Waiver, which can be accessed on Power School as part of your back to school forms. All students must fill out this PowerSchool form. Hard copy of the waiver will be stored on the Food Service Website.

MEAL DEAL: The "Meal Deal" is required to for free or reduced meals or to meet the standard price for paid meals. All individual items, A la Carte, and additional entrees will have an additional fee.

Breakfast Meal Deal consists of a grain and up to 2 choices of fruit

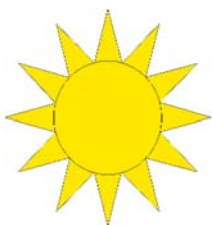
Lunch Meal Deal consists of a protein/grain (main course), choice of up to 2 veggies and/or a fruit. 1% milk is included with all meals.

MEAL PRICING:

Elementary:	2.75 Lunch	1.25 Breakfast	Reduced Meals: \$0.40/Lunch
Middle/High:	3.00 Lunch	1.50 Breakfast	Reduced Meals: \$0.40/Lunch

START your day the right way with **School Breakfast!**

School Breakfast will give you **MORE** energy, keep your body healthy, and help improve your grades! Westerville City Schools offers breakfast daily.



Breakfast times are as follows:

Elementary*:	7:40 - 8:00 AM - \$1.25** (Magnet Schools)
	8:45 - 9:15 AM - \$1.25**
Middle:	7:40 - 8:10 AM - \$1.50**
High:	7:00 - 7:25 AM - \$1.50**



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*** Elementary times may vary from building to building by 5 to 30 minutes according to recent district changes. Please check with your child's school for exact times.**

**** No charge to students qualifying under the USDA Eligibility Guidelines of the National School Lunch Program.**

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