

656.1 STUDENT LUNCH PURCHASES

The District shall provide a quality and nutritious school lunch program which will be in compliance with state and federal guidelines established by the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program. Annually, the District will send out free and reduced lunch information as well as post free and reduced lunch information in the District Mirror. This will include income guidelines and an application for free and reduced meals along with instructions.

As a courtesy, parents/guardians will receive a notification when an account reaches a balance of \$7.50. Payment should be made upon receipt of this notice to keep a positive balance in said account.

Parents/guardians are expected to keep a positive balance in their child's school lunch account. It is the parents/guardian's responsibility to monitor an account balance as well as charges to accounts. The District will not deny a student access to a reimbursable meal due to insufficient funds and will allow the student to charge for a lunch or breakfast.

In the event that an account reaches a balance of -5.00 parents/guardians will be notified by text, email, and mailed letter. If payment on a negative balance has not been received 5 business days after initial notification, parents/guardians will be notified again by text, email, mailed letter, and phone call. This type of notification/contact will be made every 5 business days until the account has been brought back to a positive balance. Further action to collect a debt owed to the District's Food Service Program can be found in Policy 763 - SCHOOL MEAL ACCOUNT CHARGES AND COLLECTIONS.

At the end of the school year, any money remaining in the student's lunch account will be carried over to the next school year unless the parents/guardians make other arrangements with School District office staff.

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