Santa Paula Unified School District

Nutrition Services Meal Charge Policy September 6, 2024

The Santa Paula Unified School Districts offers free breakfast and lunch to all enrolled students under the California Universal Meals Program and Community Eligibility Program. Regardless of a student's eligibility status, each student can receive 1 breakfast and 1 lunch each school day at NO CHARGE.

In addition to the free meals offered, students may purchase second meals or a la carte items that are not part of the free, reimbursable meal. The Cafeteria records payments received through the Point-of-Sale system (Q) and tracks meals purchased to each student. Students must bring cash or have money on their student account to purchase second meals or a la carte items. Meal charges into the negative are not permitted.

At the beginning of the school year, parents/guardians shall be notified in writing of the district's meal payment policies by posting this policy on the district's website. All Food Service staff shall also be trained on this policy.

Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form (PDF), from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

- mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
 Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
 1400 Independence Avenue, SW
 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- 2. fax: 833-256-1665 or 202-690-7442; or
- 3. email: program.intake@usda.gov

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