

Food Service Program

The School Food Service Program is an integral part of our total educational program. A wholesome, well-balanced breakfast and lunch is essential for the best work from the children.

Free or Reduced-Price Lunch

Bon Homme School District participates in the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, Food Distribution Program, Special Milk Program, and Summer Food Service Program. All schools participating in the Federally-assisted National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program MUST make available, as applicable, free and reduced price lunches and breakfasts, and, at the option of the school food authority for schools participating in the Special Milk Program, free milk to eligible children.

The basic free and reduced-price policy requirements consist of a policy statement, a public release, a parent letter and application, the School Food Authority's collection procedure, and the Income Eligibility Guidelines as issued by USDA annually.

All administration of the Food Service Program will be centralized in the district Administrative Offices of the schools. Business functions to be centralized will include central purchasing of food and supplies, a district wide salary schedule for all food service employees, centrally planned menus, and regular audit of all accounts.

Guidelines are set for school officials responsible for determining eligibility for free and reduced-price meals and for free milk in schools that participate in the Special Milk Program.

Food Service accounting allows "Family" accounts. Breakfast and lunch for all children in the family regardless of their attendance center can be taken from the account. Any amount from \$10 to \$500 per family can be paid. When the balance in the "Family" account drops below \$15.00 per student or \$25.00 per family, a reminder notice is given to the student. Please reimburse the account as soon as possible after the notice is given. We WILL NOT charge on account. A student may be denied additional meals until a payment to the account is made. Children will be allowed a sandwich and a milk if denied a meal due to a negative account balance.

Legal References: Federal National School Lunch Act of 1946, as amended; Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended; Commodity Distribution Program; SDCL 13-35-1 through 13-35-5

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