

How Do Elementary Students Order and Receive a Lunch?

Ordering:

At the start of the day teachers in each classroom show pictures of menu items and explain the meal choices of the day and ask the students which one they want. That information is written on a form and sent to the kitchen by 9:30 am.

Picking up Meals:

Classrooms go to the cafeteria and the students sit at the tables. They are called into the lunch line table by table. Food Service knows which entrée every student ordered and gives it to them. Students then choose their fruits, veggies and milk. At the cashier they hold their ID card under the scanner until it beeps and then they put it in a box so it will be there the next day. These cards are managed by the Cafeteria Aides. The lunch payment is either with money on account or with cash. Students then can pick up their cutlery, napkins and condiments and can sit down and enjoy their meal!

All students are offered 5 meal components (meat/meat alternate, grain, fruit, veggie, milk) and every meal must have 3 of the 5 components, one of which must be a fruit or veggie for the tray to be considered a meal.

Please go to www.schoolcafe to set up an account, put money on account, set restrictions and to check on what your student purchases. You can also apply for the National School Lunch Program on this site. Based on income and household size your student may be eligible for free or reduced priced meals.

Contact Penny Bartlett, Food Service Supervisor in Food Service at 610-205-8804 if you have any questions.