



Richard Woods, Georgia's School Superintendent
"Educating Georgia's Future"

CHARGE POLICY/PLAN

Pricing and Payment Options for School Meals

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Status:

Children require healthy meals to learn. **The State Schools** offers healthy meals every school day at ***no charge*** to your child(ren). Our food service receives support from the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the National School Breakfast and School Lunch programs. The State Schools has applied for and received Community Eligibility Provision status. After completion of planning and approval has been met, meals must be served at no charge. There are no unpaid or student charge accounts.

CEP Schools:

**The Atlanta Area School for the Deaf,
The Georgia Academy for the Blind,
and The Georgia School for the Deaf**

- CEP-Breakfast is served at **no cost** to all students.
- CEP-Lunch is served at **no cost** to all students

Non-Reimbursable Meal

- In the event a student selects a Non-Reimbursable meal the cashier at the POS terminal will enter the Non-Reimbursable charge tab. Therefore, we will not claim the meal on the DE 112 or DE 118.

- Payments via cash or checks can be collected at the POS terminals during lunch periods.

MY SCHOOL BUCKS-online payment system

- Students/Staff can also pre-load accounts for a la carte items or additional entree meal. Payments can be made online at <https://MySchoolBucks.com>
- Click on the “Sign up Free” button to create an account to pay online. Families are encouraged to prepay for the student’s meals.
- Select State/Province
- Select District under “Search for your district by State or Province
- Select: **Georgia State Schools**
- Enter First Name, last name, phone number, email address and password.
- Enter Security Questions
- Press Create Account

It’s that simple!

Extra Meal Purchases

Students

- Extra Meal purchases- Students must have funds pre-loaded on their account. Extra meals cannot be purchased without funds pre-loaded or paid at the POS register.
- Student are not allowed to purchase a la carte items on credit. To purchase a la carte or extra entree, the student must make payment at the POS register or have funds available on his/her account.
- Payments for meals may be made in person with cash or a check. Payments may be made online with a credit card or check. MY SCHOOL BUCKS online, <https://www.myschoolbucks.com>

Adults

- Payments for meals may be made in person with cash or a check. Payments may be made online with a credit card or check. MY SCHOOL BUCKS online, <https://www.myschoolbucks.com>
 - Staff must have funds pre-loaded on their account.
 - Small balances \$6.00 or under will be allowed as non-reimbursable meal charges.
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- Staff must bring their account up to date by March 1st of each school system year. After this date, staff account balances must be current.
 - Staff accounts not current after March 1st will not be allowed to purchase a meal on credit.

Non -Reimbursable Staff Meals

- The no charge meal would be at the discretion of the School Nutrition Manager for staff that have direct contact with assistance of the school nutrition department in **operations daily or extended period**.

Notification

- All families will be notified of this policy on our website under the School Nutrition tab and/or the Student Handbook.

Questions please contact:

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