

# CAFE CONNECTION



SEPTEMBER  
EDITION

## MENUS

"It is possible to educate children in the pleasure of food... that doing so will set the children up for a lifetime of healthy eating. Feeding is learning."

Our goal is to fuel students' minds and bodies with meals that keep them energized, focused, and ready to learn--without sacrificing taste.

We are excited to share that Pearland ISD Food Service is getting a fresh update, how we think about school food and how our menu options are presented.

Our team has been testing new recipes, gathering feedback from students, and focusing on meals that are both nutritious and delicious. We are ready to introduce some new and improved menu options that help support student health and make mealtime something students look forward to.

Try our new non-spicy chicken sandwiches, available in regular and vegan at our elementary level. Our spicy regular and vegan versions are available at our secondary levels. Vegetarian options are also available at all grade levels; see the SchoolCafe app for more info. Available now at the High-School level: Build your own bowls.

# Parent INFO

## REMINDERS

Free and Reduced-priced meals are available based on financial needs. Please visit the <https://www.schoolcafe.com>

School holiday Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> for Labor day!  
School In-service on Sept. 19th.

## PEARLAND ISD FOOD SERVICE CHARGE POLICY

ONCE A STUDENT MEAL ACCOUNT REACHES ZERO (\$0.00), THE FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT WILL ALLOW STUDENTS TO PURCHASE A "MEAL ONLY" (NO ALA CARTE PURCHASES). THIS ALLOWS TIME FOR THE STUDENT TO NOTIFY THEIR PARENT THAT THE ACCOUNT NEEDS MONEY. WHEN THE ACCOUNT BALANCE EXCEEDS -\$6.00, AN EMAIL WILL BE SENT TO THE PARENT EMAIL REGISTERED IN SKYWARD. THIS EMAIL WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION ON HOW TO APPLY FREE OR REDUCED MEALS AND HOW TO CONTACT THE FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT TO SET UP A PAYMENT PLAN IF NECESSARY. THE FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT WILL EMAIL PARENTS THREE TIMES, AND THEN PARENTS WILL RECEIVE A PHONE CALL. IF THE ACCOUNT REMAINS INSUFFICIENT 5 DAYS AFTER THE PHONE CALL, THE STUDENTS ACCOUNT WILL BE BLOCKED FROM ANY FURTHER CHARGING. THE STUDENT WILL BE OFFERED A COURTESY MEAL, AT NO COST TO THE STUDENT.



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## GET TO KNOW THE SCHOOL CAFE APP

- Apply for free & reduced meals
- See Menus for your student's cafe
- See nutritional information and allergens for each menu item
- Make Payments
- Set up automatic payments to replenish student's cafeteria funds
- View your student's purchases
- Set purchase restrictions
- Receive low balance alerts

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