



2026-2027 Meal Charge Policy

Federal Eligibility Application (FEA)

Our school participates in the National School Breakfast & Lunch Programs. As a result, families can qualify to receive Free or Reduced priced meals. All families are highly encouraged to complete and submit a Federal Eligibility Application by the first week of school – one application per household is needed. The application process is confidential and free. Applications can be completed on-line, at any time during the “open application” period each year at MealtimeApps.com. If you qualify, student meals are charged at the Free or Reduced-Price rate. Your status is not retroactive and if approved you will be charged full price for any student meals issued prior to approval.

Meal Charge Policy

Meals at Drew are not free. In order to keep this program sustainable, families are required to pre-load funds into student meal accounts and maintain positive balances via MyMealtime.com or complete the [FEA application](#) for Free & Reduced priced meals mentioned above.

Families will receive invoices for meal balances monthly via email using the guardian email address in Infinite Campus. Accounts with balances over \$50 in any given month will trigger a collection process and parents will be notified via email, text or phone call to submit a timely payment. Balances over \$100 can limit students to a Courtesy Meal until the balances are addressed or arrangements are made for payment. Courtesy Meals consist of pre-packaged proteins along with fresh fruit and vegetable components. School counselors will connect with families in consistent arrears in order to identify any hardships or food insecurity issues. An [FEA application](#) must be on file for any fee waiver considerations.

Holds – A hold may be placed on a student when meal balances owed exceed \$100. A hold means the student may be restricted from participation in specific, optional student activities and trips covered with funds raised through [Drew Cares](#).

Student Pricing

- Students who do not qualify for free or reduced-price meals must pay \$4.00 for lunch and \$2.25 for breakfast
- Students who qualify for reduced meals will pay \$0* for lunch \$0* for breakfast. *The Georgia State Board of Education has voted to cover the cost of reduced-priced meals for any student approved for the 2026-27 school year. Therefore, there will be no charge.

Payment Options

- Parent/Guardians can load funds into student meal accounts online at MyMealTime.com or make cash deposits at the school front office.

Dietary Needs

- Any student with food allergies must complete the dietary needs form accompanied by a physician's note, each school year. This form can be downloaded on the Drew Dining page on the school website.

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Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Mail Stop 9410, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

Fax: (202) 690-7442; or

Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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