



POTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027 Procedure for Charging Meals

July 6, 2026

The goal of Poth ISD Public School's Child Nutrition Program is to provide students with healthy meals each day.

Poth ISD will inform families annually of the availability of reimbursable school meals and families will be provided information about applying for free or reduced-price meals.

Families will be informed of the Poth ISD Meal Charge Policy in writing annually ahead of the school year and with each new transfer student. The policy will also be posted on the Poth ISD Child Nutrition Website.

The following will apply regarding meal charges:

- * Students that temporarily do not have funds in their account may be allowed to charge up to \$50 amount meals for full price meals and up to \$25 meals for reduced-priced meals. Poth ISD will provide an alternate meal until the balance is paid in full.
- * All students with a prior year Free or Reduced Price status keep that status for 30 days starting in the next school year, allowing time to submit a new school year application to determine a new eligibility.
- * A la carte items, second portions, will not be allowed to be charged if the student has met the meal charges.
- * Ice cream, drinks and bottled water will NOT be allowed to charge if there is any negative balance.
- * Poth ISD will send e-mails to parents each week notifying them of their child's negative balance. The cafeteria director will continue to send reminders in e-mails or call parents until the negative balance is paid.
- * Poth ISD will provide the student with an alternate meal after the limit has been met. This conforms to USDA meal requirements and the student will be charged accordingly until the student debt has been settled in full.
- * Students status that are full pay or qualify for Free or Reduced meals will never be denied a meal.



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