Welcome Back OJR Families!

We're so excited to welcome your students back for the 2026–2027 school year! The cafeterias are ready for another great year filled with delicious meals, welcoming smiles, and exciting opportunities for students to explore healthy choices. Below you'll find everything you need to know to make the start of the school year smooth, successful, and satisfying for your student.

Meal Pricing & Applications for Free & Reduced-Price Meals

We are excited to share that, through guidance from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE), all enrolled Owen J. Roberts School District students will receive breakfast at no cost every school day throughout the school year through the School Breakfast Program (SBP), regardless of household income! In addition, **students who qualify for reduced-price meal benefits will receive lunch at no cost for the entire school year.**

BREAKFAST: FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS!

LUNCH:

For students not eligible for free lunch meals, the prices are as follows:

Elementary Schools: $3.15
Middle School: $3.50
High School: $3.70

Free & Reduced Meal Applications

All families are encouraged to apply. Complete one application per household. Applying is quick, confidential, and may help your family qualify for meal benefits.
Apply online at www.schoolcafe.com or in person at your school office.
If your family received Free & Reduced Meal Benefits last school year, those benefits will continue through October 7th, 2026.

Don't forget to reapply by October 7th, 2026 to keep your benefits active!

Please **CLICK HERE** for the '2026-2027 Letter to Households' that includes the application for free and reduced-price meal benefits, along with detailed guidelines.

Special Dietary Needs and Allergy/Medical Conditions

The health and safety of our students is a top priority. If your child has a food allergy, dietary restriction, or medical condition that requires meal accommodation(s), please provide a written note from your child's physician to the school nurse.
Please note that federal regulations require a physician's note for any meal substitutions related to a medical condition, including requests such as substituting water for milk at no additional charge.

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Our Breakfast & Lunch Program

We participate in the USDA's Offer vs. Serve meal program, which gives students flexibility in choosing their meals while ensuring they receive balanced, nutritious options.

Breakfast: Students must select **at least 3 meal components**, and **one selection must be a fruit or vegetable**, to qualify for a complete breakfast meal.

Lunch: Students must choose **at least 3 meal components**, including **at least one fruit or vegetable**, to receive the full lunch meal.

Students who do not select the required components for a reimbursable meal will be charged for their items à la carte (individually priced). These guidelines help us provide meals that meet federal nutrition standards while offering students a variety of healthy choices each day!

Account Payments and Policies

Payment Methods:

To help keep cafeteria lines moving quickly and efficiently, we encourage families to use SchoolPay, our secure online payment system, to add funds to student meal accounts. Information about all available payment methods, including any applicable processing fees, can be found on the Food Services Webpage or by contacting the Food Service Office directly.

Student PINs & Account Balances

Each student is assigned a unique PIN (Personal Identification Number) for cafeteria purchases. Until students have memorized their PIN, they can simply provide their name at checkout. Student photos are available to cafeteria staff to help verify accounts & ensure accurate transactions.

Meal account balances automatically roll over from year to year! Any available balance will remain in your child's account and be ready to use when school begins.

Questions? We're Here to Help!

Visit our Food Services website for detailed information, forms, menus, policies & answers to frequently asked questions:

https://www.ojrsd.com/departments/food-services

Get ready for another year of fresh flavors, healthy choices & happy cafeterias! We're excited to nourish minds, fuel learning, and serve smiles every day!

Your Chartwells Team

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