Coosa County Schools Charged Meals Policy

Student Meals:

Coosa County Schools participates in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). Under CEP, all enrolled students are provided one reimbursable breakfast and one reimbursable lunch each school day at no cost through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP).

One supper meal is also available at no cost to eligible students participating in qualifying afterschool activities on campus through the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program.

Extra entrees, second meals, extra milk, snack items, and other non-program foods are considered a la carte purchases and are not covered by CEP.

Student Accounts:

Students may purchase a la carte items only when they have cash in hand or a positive prepaid balance in their meal account. Students are not permitted to charge a la carte items.

Prepayments and account monitoring may be managed online through the LINQ Connect Portal. The point-of-sale system will automatically restrict a la carte purchases when a student's account balance reaches $0.00 or the student does not have cash in hand.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to use LINQ Connects automated low-balance notifications and optional spending limits to help manage their student's meal account and household preferences.

Adult Accounts:

Adults, including faculty, staff, and visitors, are not permitted to charge meals or maintain a negative account balance.

Adult meals and other purchases must be paid for at the time of sale using cash, check, or available funds in a pre-funded LINQ Connect account.

Returned Checks:

Any check returned by the bank for insufficient funds or other reasons must be repaid in full, along with a $36.00 returned check fee. Following a returned check, Coosa County Schools may require future Child Nutrition Program payments to be made by cash or through a pre-funded LINQ Connect account.