

PENDLETON COUNTY SCHOOLS

FOOD SERVICE MEDIA RELEASE

Pendleton County Board of Education / Food Service announced an amendment to its policy for serving meals to students under the [National School Lunch / School Breakfast Programs] starting the school year 2017-2018

Pendleton County School District Food Service will be participating in the **National School Lunch Program** and the **School Breakfast Program**.

As part of this program Northern and Southern Elementary, Phillip Sharp Middle and Pendleton High School will offer healthy meals every school day at NO COST to the students or families due to the implementation of the Community Eligibility Provision for School year **2026-2027**.

Students will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a Free /Reduced Application. Your school that you attend will ask you to fill out a household application for other programs in the district.

This program allows all students attending Pendleton County Schools to receive one breakfast and one lunch daily at no charge for the school year 2026-2027

Pendleton County Food Service has a "No Charge Policy" district wide.

Students may purchase second meals and a la carte items during meal times, but (Must have money in student account or cash in hand)

****Pendleton County Food Service has a new pricing structure for the 2026-2027 SY, adult customers would not be charged a single plate or meal price. Instead, each food item selected would be charged at its established a' la carte price.**

This would allow adult customers to purchase only the item they want and would provide a more consistent pricing structure between adult meals and individual ala carte purchases.

The school nutrition program will establish reasonable prices for the individual food components /items offered to adults. Adults must pay at time of the purchases with cash or check at the register or may deposit funds into their meal account for future purchases.

No charging of adult meal or a la carte items will be permitted.

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