

NO CHARGE POLICY

Dear Parents/guardians/Staff

The School District offers nutritious school meals to students at a minimal cost. In order to avoid adversely affecting the school lunch program financially, the School Board establishes policy regarding the charging of school lunches. Negative student balances affect the ability of the lunch program to operate in a fiscally responsible manner.

- The District discourages the charging of student lunches.
- Notices of unpaid charge balances will be sent to the parents/guardians on a regular and consistent manner to avoid the lunch program carrying charge balances. All communications will be directly with the parent or guardian. Under no circumstances will a child receive a hand stamp or any other physical marking to show that they have unpaid charge balances.
- If no response to unpaid lunch charges is received by the District from parents/guardians and several attempts are made to collect the balances, students will not be able to charge again until the charges are paid. All excessive balances may be subject to referral to a collection agency.
- Parents who could be eligible are encouraged to apply for Free and Reduced Lunch under the federal government guidelines. Applications are available at the schools and on the district website.

Students will be treated with courtesy and respect regardless of whether or not the parent has provided payment to the school district.

If you have any questions concerning this policy, you may contact Janet Hammitt or Jamie Valois at (918) 224-0201 ext 118

Thank you!