

MEAL CHARGES

STUDENT CHARGE POLICY

Parents are responsible for knowing the amount of their child's food account balance.

However, a child will not be denied a school meal because of parental negligence. "Alternative meals" will not be provided as substitutes as this identifies the child as having a delinquent account in front of their peers.

A negative account is the responsibility of the child's parent/guardian. The adult will be contacted regularly when the account balance is less than \$0.00. Parent/guardians will be notified verbally through the Food Services automated phone notification system and/or paper notification by the Building Secretary.

DONATED FUNDS FOR STUDENT MEAL PROGRAM

The District will accept donations from non-profit and/or school organizations (Parent Teacher Organizations, Student Clubs, Community Charity groups, etc.) on account for use in assisting with unpaid student meal charges. The District may also accept donations from families with excess funds on their student account(s) as donations. The Business Manager will work with Food Service Staff to allocate donated resources equitably.

STUDENTS WORKING

Eligible students may work in the kitchen and receive a meal at no cost should the need for student workers exist.

STAFF/ADULT MEALS

Staff/Adult meals may be purchased at a price that is reviewed annually. Staff/Adults must have sufficient funds in hand or on account. Charges for these meal purchases are not allowed.

REFUND OR TRANSFER OF FUNDS ON STUDENT MEAL ACCOUNTS

Money left in a student's meal account is carried over from school year to school year, as long as the student remains enrolled in the District. However, a parent/guardian may request a refund or transfer funds to another student in their household, if:

1. Student has qualified for free meals in accordance with National School Lunch Program regulations; or
2. Student has withdrawn from the Cashmere School District.

The parent or guardian must provide written authorization in order to transfer or refund funds by completing the Meal Transfer/Refund form. Transfers and refunds will be processed by the

District School Food Service Staff. Monies refunded will be done so in accordance with District Policy 3520.