

STUDENT MEAL CHARGING POLICY

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All Students

Reduced Breakfast --.30, Reduced Lunches--.40

Paid Breakfast – \$1.25, Paid Lunches—\$2.50

Adult Breakfast--\$2.25, Adult Lunch- \$3.70

The cafeteria offers breakfast and lunch daily at each school. Menus are posted on the Lonoke School District Website. Parents may apply for free and reduced priced meals anytime during the school year; applications are available at each school office or on the Child Nutrition page on the website. Each student is assigned an individual lunch account. Families have the option to merge lunch accounts resulting in a shared balance for the entire family. Students are encouraged to pay for meals in advance. Each cafeteria can take check or cash payments to put toward a student's account. A parent also has the option to pay online through ezschoolpay.com. Please contact the Child Nutrition Department for a student's Patron ID when setting up ezschoolpay.com account.

It is the policy of the Lonoke School District to allow no more than \$20 for students and \$50 for families to charge in the cafeteria. It is the responsibility of each household to ensure adequate funds are available for school lunch and breakfast. The Child Nutrition Department will reach out to families with a negative balance by sending out payment reminders. Positive and negative cafeteria balances will follow the student when advancing to the next grade each school year. When a student drops from Lonoke School District, that student is still responsible for unpaid balances. Attempts will be made to collect charges. Unpaid balances will be forwarded to debt collection services. All dropped student unpaid meal charges will be consolidated and turned over to debt collection services at the end of each school year.

In order to close out yearly account balances, students will not be allowed to charge meals after the end of April. Meals served in each cafeteria abide by rules set forth by the National School Lunch Program. Any substitutions to the planned menu will be allowed if correct documentation is on file. Contact the Child Nutrition Office for a Special Dietary Needs form.

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