

It's a great day to feed a Pirate!

~ Cafeteria News ~

2019 – 2020 SCHOOL MEAL PRICES

Student Breakfast - \$ 1.75

Reduced Student Breakfast - \$.30

Adult Breakfast - \$ 2.25

Student Lunch - \$ 3.00

Reduced Student Lunch - \$.40

Adult Lunch - \$ 3.50

NEW STUDENTS: WELCOME TO PIRATE COUNTRY! WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE! New Pirates do not have meal accounts set up in the cafeteria until they have been entered in the front office computers with an MSIS number and the information is sent to the cafeteria electronically. Each morning the cafeteria computers are updated with the new students added from the previous day. As soon as this information is received, the student's meal account is created, and the Pirate will be issued a lunch number. A student meal account must be set up before we can accept checks, advance payments, or online payments. Therefore, all new Pirates will need either to have the **exact amount of cash each day** in order to eat in the cafeteria or bring a packed lunch.

All new Pirates are classified as paying students until their Free and Reduced Meal Application is processed and approved. A letter indicating approval or denial and stating the student's meal status will be sent home with the Pirate after processing. Until you receive a letter stating your Pirate has been approved for free or reduced meals, they will need to have the **exact amount of cash each day** in order to eat in the cafeteria or bring a packed lunch.

If paying by check please make checks payable to the school cafeteria (example: Pearl Lower Elementary Cafeteria). All checks must be printed with the correct name and address and must be numbered. No counter checks are accepted. There is a \$10.00 fee for all returned checks, and future payments must be in cash or online.

ONLINE PAYMENTS: Online payments can be made by going to the district website at www.pearlk12.com and clicking on *Quick Links*. In the dropdown box, select *Meal Payments*. My School Bucks is the name of our online payment system. You can create a login and add your students to your account using their birth dates or their student ID number. From this account, you can view your students' eating history and account balances, as well as set email alerts to notify you of a low balance. There is no fee for these services. There is also an app for your phone.

You can also make payments online using your debit or credit card for a convenience fee of \$2.50 each time you make an online payment. You can deposit money in

multiple students' accounts in one online payment. Any money left in student accounts will be rolled over to the next school year. Refunds are only issued upon request when a student leaves the district upon graduation or withdrawal. See student handbook for deadline to request a refund.

ONLINE MEAL APPLICATIONS: Instead of completing a paper application, you now have the option to complete an online meal application available on our website at www.pearlk12.com (click on the knife & fork icon) for all of your students.

EXTRA FOOD SALES: Pirates may also purchase additional items with the purchase of a tray. Pirates who do not purchase a tray can only purchase milk products (milk or ice cream) or bottled water. **Pirates will be able to use the funds in their meal account to purchase extra foods.** Adult/Parent purchases cannot be taken from the student's meal account. Parents can view their students' meal account activities and balances through our online payment system. Parents are encouraged to monitor balances frequently so that their Pirates' meal accounts have enough funds and to monitor extra food purchases.

CHARGES: Any elementary student may "charge" **lunch two (2) days**. Pirates with more than two charges on their record will be offered a cheese sandwich, fruit, and milk on that day and every day after until the charges are paid. **NO BREAKFAST CHARGES ARE ALLOWED.** If needed, Free and Reduced Meal Applications are available in each principal's office. **Secondary students are not allowed to charge.**

Foods eaten in the cafeteria but not purchased in the cafeteria should include only meals brought from home. **Fast food, canned or bottled soft drinks, etc. are considered competitive foods and are not allowed.**

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