

SCHOOL LUNCH CHARGE POLICY

Northwestern School Corporation Food Service Department

Every student is given a lunch card or pin # to use for purchasing school meals. These cards or pins are to be used as debit cards, NOT as credit cards. Therefore, money needs to be in the child's account before they purchase food. We can no longer allow large debts to accumulate on student lunch accounts. If a child's account goes into debt, the child will be allowed meals giving you time to make a deposit until the family account reaches \$25.00 in debt. Monthly Skyward notices will be sent advising the parent/guardian of the delinquent account with payment options. If the account is still not paid after two weeks, an alternate meal will be given to the student at the price of \$.75 until debt is paid in full. Seriously delinquent accounts may also be subject to a referral made to the Department of Family and Children's Services (DFACS) and/or filing in Small Claims Court for collection. Accounts filed in small claims court will incur additional charges assessed by the Howard County Clerk.

School Lunch Prices for the 2017-18 School Year:

- **Elementary Lunch \$2.50**
- **Middle and High School Lunch \$2.75**

Reduced-price meals for income-qualifying students is \$.40 for lunch.

School Breakfast Prices for the 2016-17 School Year:

- **All grades is \$1.60**

Reduced-price meals for income-qualifying students is \$.30 for breakfast.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to provide a quality school lunch program for the students of Northwestern School Corporation.

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