

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. A peanut butter sandwich will be provided at the elementary level after the \$25.00 debt has been reached. 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, the account will be turned over to the corporation office for collection and charged a \$25.00 collection fee. 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 of at least \$100.00.

School Lunch Prices for the 2015-16 School Year:

- **Elementary Lunch \$2.30**
- **Middle and High School Lunch \$2.55**

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

School Breakfast Prices for the 2015-16 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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