

Updates from Child Nutrition Services

We are excited to report that a greater number of families are choosing to *pre-pay* for school meals. This results in faster-moving lunch lines since our cashiers do not have to collect as much lunch money and provide change, etc. If you are contemplating pre-paying for your child's lunches, consider some of the advantages:

- You will not need to remember to give your child lunch money every time he/she wants to eat school lunch
- You will not have to worry about your child losing or forgetting his/her lunch money before lunch
- Your child will be served faster if a cash transaction isn't necessary
- You can keep a positive balance in the cafeteria account in case you forget to bring a lunch from home (any remaining balance at the end of the school year automatically carries over to the following school year, until your child leaves the district)

If you choose to pre-pay, you may submit cash or a check in an envelope marked with your child's name, teacher's name, amount enclosed, and date. It may be turned in to the school office or to your child's teacher. Alternatively, you may pay on-line by credit/debit card through, <http://www.myschoolbucks.com> our on-line meal account management system. There is a \$1.95 flat service fee charged by Nutrikids in order to pay by credit card. It could take up to 24 hours for an on-line payment to be processed and reflected in your child's account.

If you choose not to pre-pay, we would appreciate if you could send *exact* payment with your child, e.g., **\$3.00 for full-paid lunch or \$0.40 for reduced-price lunch**. You may keep track of your child's cafeteria account balance on <http://www.mySchoolBucks.com>. It is free to set up an account on that site and check your balance. You can also choose to receive a reminder email when your balance becomes low. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 408-923-1875. Thank you for your participation in our school lunch program!