



# Centerville City Schools

Office of Student Nutrition Services

## **Student Nutrition Services Charge Policy Information**

### **Elementary Schools' Charge Policy (PVN, PVS, Cline, Driscoll, John Hole, Normandy, Stingley, Weller)**

To ensure that all students have access to healthy school lunches and to be good financial stewards, Centerville Student Nutrition Services has instituted a charge policy for the elementary schools. This policy has as its guiding principle the belief that every student deserves a nutritious lunch but that ultimately it is the parent/guardian's responsibility to provide one unless the family qualifies for the free and reduced lunch program. To that end, the charge policy is as follows:

- Students will be allowed to charge a maximum of 3 lunches.
- After the third charge, the student will be given an alternate meal consisting of a peanut butter and jelly sandwich (cheese sandwich provided for students with peanut allergies) a vegetable or fruit and a milk.
- With a negative balance, students *will not* be able to purchase a la carte items, even with cash.
- With a negative balance, students with cash or check *will* be able to purchase a reimbursable meal consisting of a meat, grain, fruit, vegetable, and milk but not a la carte items. This will ensure that students are eating nutritionally sound meals instead of using money towards less nutrient-dense snack foods.

Student Nutrition Services will discretely inform students of low and negative account balances and provide them with a payment reminder slip. Student Nutrition Services will also send home weekly negative balance letters to student's with negative account balances in an attempt to get accounts in a positive standing. Student Nutrition Services will work with the school's administration to collect all meal debts.

To minimize the possibility that your child may be without meal money on any given day, meals may be paid for in advance and the balances maintained in your child's account via Titan School Solutions ([www.family.titan12.com](http://www.family.titan12.com)). This free service allows you to set up low balance notices and make automatic payments. Meals may also be paid for with cash or check. Please make checks payable to Centerville City Schools. Forms and information regarding free or reduced lunch are available at each building and the Student Nutrition Services Office.

Centerville City Schools believes strongly that nutritious lunches are a vital component to a healthy school environment. Our school lunches provide 1/3 of the RDA of key nutrients including vitamins A and C; fresh fruits and vegetables are served every day. School meals enhance learning and minimize illnesses and absences.

### **Middle Schools' Charge Policy (Magsig, Tower Heights, Watts)**

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charge policy is as follows:

- Students will be allowed to charge a maximum of 2 lunches.
- After the second charge, the student will be given an alternate meal consisting of a peanut butter and jelly sandwich (cheese sandwich provided for students with peanut allergies) a vegetable or fruit and a milk.
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### **High Schools' Charge Policy**

Students are not able to charge their meal accounts at the high school level.