



FREMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES School Meals Payment Policy

Child Nutrition Services (CNS) *welcomes all children* in Fremont Unified School District to participate in the meal programs. Please visit the department website for valuable information, including menus and nutrition facts. There are two ways to access the CNS Department website.

- Direct link: <http://www.fusdcafes.org>
- From FUSD webpage: <http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us>
 - Go to: [Resources & Contacts](#) > [Nutrition Services & Menus](#)

From this site you may review menus and nutritional facts, pre-pay on account, and apply for eligibility to participate in a USDA meals program. School meals are offered to all District students enrolled in K-12.

It is important that your child's account maintain a positive balance.

- On-line Pre-payments:** You can make pre-payments online at www.MySchoolBucks.com with a service fee of \$1.95 per transaction. This online service offers you the opportunity to monitor your child's account, receive notifications when the balance is low, and to insure your child is confident in knowing their school meals are prepaid. You may review the past 90 days of account transactions made by your child. A Smartphone app is available so you can make payments using credit cards, debit cards, or checking accounts and check account balances right from your phone!
- Checks and Cash Pre-payments:** Checks and cash pre-payments can be deposited in the school office. Please place the payment in an envelope marked with the student's name and ID number on the outside. Pre-printed envelopes are available in the school office or the cafeteria. All pre-payments received in the office before 10:00 a.m. will be processed that day before lunch.

Charging Policy

Your child's meal account must maintain a positive balance. In an emergency situation, the Child Nutrition Department may allow, *only elementary students, to charge meals* on account up to \$7.00. If the account reaches the maximum negative limit, please be certain that your child brings a meal to school until the balance is paid. Please clear any outstanding balances by using one of the options detailed above. *In order to address long lines, and feed more students quickly, payments will no longer be accepted in elementary school meal lines. Please remember to use the pre-payment options listed above.* Parents/Guardians will be notified by phone, email, and in writing when the account requires funds.

Secondary students are not allowed to charge and carry a negative balance on their accounts.

Current Meal Prices

	Breakfast	Lunch	Milk
Elementary	\$1.75	\$3.50	\$0.50
Jr. High	\$2.25	\$4.00	\$0.50
High School	\$2.25	\$4.00	\$0.50

Free and Reduced Application

Fremont Unified School District participates in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program. Meals are served every school day. Eligible students may receive no-charge meals. There is also no charge for the reduced meal category, should your child qualify. If you haven't already submitted your application online, please do so as soon as possible to avoid a lapse in your free or reduced status. Applications must be renewed each new school year. **All families are encouraged to complete a confidential application. Applications are accepted throughout the school year.**

Apply on-line via: <https://fremont.rocketscanapps.com/>

Direct link: <http://www.fusdcafes.org>

From FUSD webpage: <http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/>

Go to: Resources & Contacts > Nutrition Services & Menus and click on the Meal Applications icon.

If you do not have access to a computer, paper applications are available at school cafeterias, school site offices, or the Child Nutrition Office located at: 4210 Technology Drive, Fremont, CA 94538 in Room 140.

Once your application has been processed, you will receive a notification letter in the mail. Only one application per family should be submitted. Please make sure to include all of your children in FUSD schools on one application. Applications are available in English, Spanish and Mandarin. Please allow up to 10 business days for processing. Parents/Guardians are responsible for the payment of all meals until the date of application approval.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: <http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html>, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

For assistance with your child's account, please contact the Child Nutrition Department at 510-659-2587.