Grain Valley R-5 School District

School Lunch Charge Policy

Elementary and secondary students will be allowed to charge the equivalent of three days meals (breakfast and lunch).

Any student (K - 12) whose account is at the charge limit and does not bring a lunch from home will be offered a National School Lunch Program meal of a sunbutter and jelly sandwich with a vegetable, fruit and non-fat milk.

A la carte items (snacks) cannot be charged if a student has a zero or negative balance. A la carte snacks and drinks are not part of the National School Lunch Program.

Negative balances may be avoided by using one of the following methods for depositing funds into the student's account. Funds can be deposited on-line through the MySchoolBucks.com website. A link to the website can be found on the home-page of the district website. A deposit can also be made into the student's account by sending a check (made payable to "Grain Valley School District") or cash to school with the student. When a student's account is at a negative status, his/her guardian will be notified via email from the district. Paper letters may also be sent home. Any monies deposited into a negative balance account must first be used to satisfy the negative balance.

Free or reduced-price meal applications may be submitted at any time during the school year. A link to the on-line application may be found on the district website within the Food Service page. A paper application is available upon request.

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 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.