



## **Modesto City Schools Nutrition Services Student Meal Charge Policy**

Modesto City Schools' Nutrition Services Department encourages prepayments on student meal accounts. Prepayments can be made at the cafeteria daily or online through the electronic payment system, MySchoolBucks. MySchoolBucks is accessible any time, day or night, and offers flexible payment options such as Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. Payments are processed within 24 hours. MySchoolBucks offers many features including low balance alerts, automatic payments, account balance reports and purchase history reports. Visit [mcsnutrition.org](http://mcsnutrition.org) for more information.

### **Low/Negative Balance**

1. Cafeteria staff will provide verbal reminders when a student has a low/negative balance.
2. A letter addressing insufficient funds may be mailed home to the parent/guardian.
3. The parent/guardian will receive a notification phone call.
4. When a student has accumulated meal charges, the cafeteria staff will notify the principal to assist in the collection process.
5. A student will be allowed to charge up to the value of five (5) full-priced lunches.

The Nutrition Services department works with families to establish long-term repayment plans if the need arises..

If you have questions regarding these procedures, please contact Nutrition Services at (209) 574-1619.