



# NHCS Meals ARE a Healthy Choice

- Meals must meet all Dietary Guidelines for Americans, North Carolina, Federal Regulations and State Board of Education Policy on Nutrition Standards.
- 2) Meals will contain the following when averaged over the week:
  - Less than 35% of calories from fat.
  - Less than 10% of calories from saturated fat.
  - c. No trans fats and sodium levels must meet USDA guidelines.
- 3) Food preparation must be limited to baking, roasting, broiling, boiling and steaming.
- 4) Two fruits/100% fruit juice will be offered daily at breakfast. A fruit must be selected with each complete breakfast meal.
- 5) Legumes will be offered at least one time per week.
- Flavored skim milk and unflavored 1% or skim milk are available at breakfast and lunch.

### NEW HANOVER COUNTY SCHOOLS SCHOOL NUTRITION SERVICES 2019-2020

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#### IMPORTANT NEWS - CHANGES TO FREE/ REDUCED MEAL APPLICATIONS AND SITES

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) allows schools to offer nutritious meals at no cost to all students through the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

The following schools are identified as eligible:

Alderman Elementary
Blair Elementary
Bradley Creek Elementary
Career Readiness Academy at Mosley
Castle Hayne Elementary
College Park Elementary
College Road Early Childhood Center
(CRECC)
Forest Hills Global Elementary
Freeman
The International School at Gregory
Holly Shelter Middle
Howe Pre-K Center
JC Roe Center
Johnson Pre-K Center

Lake Forest Academy
Mary C. Williams Elementary
Murrayville Elementary
NHHS
Pine Valley Elementary
Rachel Freeman Elementary
SEA TECH
Snipes Academy
Sunset Park Elementary
Trask Middle
WECH
Williston Middle
Winter Park Elementary
Wrightsboro Elementary

If your child attends one of the above mentioned schools, you do not have to complete a free/reduced meals application nor will one be sent home with your child. If your child transfers to another school, not mentioned above, you will need to complete an application. Applications are available at each school as well as on our website www.nhcs.net/nutrition

#### STUDENT CAFETERIA ACCOUNTS

All students who do not qualify for Free/Reduced Meals are expected to pay for school meals at the time purchase. Pre-paid meal plans are encouraged. Students may purchase a la carte items (milk, ice cream, etc.) at individual prices, if they do not have an outstanding charge balance on their account.

Automatic calls will be sent to the homes of students who owe money to the cafeteria. If you receive a call, please send the amount due to your child's school to the cafeteria manager. For more information, please visit our website at www.nhcs.net/nutrition. Thank you for the opportunity to serve your child.

Thank You, Imer S. Smith, RD, LDN, Director of Child Nutrition

#### **2019-2020 MEAL PRICES**

Students	Breakfast		Lunch	
Elementary Middle High Pre-K Adults	Reduced \$.00 \$.00 \$.00 \$.00 a la carte	Paid \$1.35 \$1.35 \$1.35 \$1.35 e price	Reduced \$.40 \$.40 \$.40 \$.40 a la cart	Paid \$2.55 \$2.55 \$2.60 \$2.55 e price
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~ Benjamin Franklin

#### SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS

Special dietary needs are available for children who are handicapped or chronically ill with medical conditions that cause them to need food modifications or substitutions. Children with special dietary needs can participate in the school breakfast and lunch program. Requests must be accompanied by a complete diet order form signed by issuing doctor. Please contact your school nurse or call 254-4296 for further assistance. Forms are available at: www.nhcs.net/nutrition.

## NHCS Participates in Federal Programs Subsidized by the USDA

**National School Breakfast Program** National School Lunch Program Free and Reduced Price Meal Program Applications are available at each school and should be completed each school year. If you were free or reduced in the 2018-2019 school year, your benefits expire 30 days into the new school year. Once an application is processed - the 30 day grace period expires and the new eligibility begins. Do not delay...send your application in quickly for faster processing. All charges accumulated before being approved will be paid by household. **Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)** Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) After School/Daycare Feeding Program **USDA Food Distribution Program** Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program

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# Full Name Street Address (No PO Box) Home Phone # (w/ Area Code) Secondary Phone # (w/ Area Code) Driver's License # (w/ State)

If your check is dishonored by the bank, a service fee will be assessed in accordance to state law and federal guidelines. In providing a check as payment, you authorize electronic representment if your check should return unpaid. Also, you authorize service charges and processing fees, as determined by law, to be debited (at our option) from the same account via paper draft of electronic funds transfer.

#### **On-Line Payments**

The Child Nutrition Department would like to introduce K12PaymentCenter.com to our customers. K12PaymentCenter.com is a third party vendor offering an alternative method for school meal account management.

- You get quick and easy access to your child's meal account 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. \*
   You can obtain your student's ID# by contacting the school they attend.
- The ability to pay for multiple children's accounts with one single payment.
- Accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover cards.
- The ability to look-up your child's account balance any time.
- The ability to see 45 calendar days of purchases and payments.
- Automated notification, via e-mail, when your child's account balance falls below an amount you have set.

Go to http://www.nhcs.net/nutrition for more information.



"Health and success in school are interrelated. Schools cannot achieve their primary mission of education if students and staff are not healthy and fit physically, mentally and socially."

~National Association of State Boards of Education