Red Bluff Joint Union High School District's Nutrition Services Department

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Director of Food and Nutrition Services: Marissa Stevens | Web page:www.CafeSparta.org

Red Bluff High School's Meal Charge Policy

Red Bluff High School works hard to ensure that all students in our district have the opportunity to enjoy healthy and nutritious meals while attending school.

Prior to the start of the school year, parent(s)/guardian(s) will receive a packet from the Nutrition Services Department. This packet will include the Letter to Households, Meal Application, and the Meal Charge Policy. Each parent/guardian is encouraged to fill out a meal application to determine if the student qualifies for free or reduced-price meals. If there is no application on file or the student's status is determined to be "paid," the student is expected to pay for meals at full price. Parent/Guardians must submit these meal applications as quickly as possible to the Nutrition Services Department in order to process the application promptly.

If a parent/guardian has chosen not to submit a meal application and the student does not have the funds to purchase food on campus, the student will not be allowed to charge a meal with the promise of paying at a later date. RBHS has a no debt policy for charged meals. Thus, any food items that costs \$0.01 and above is charged the full price for that food item.

New Students & Visiting Students

New Students, transfer students, and visiting students will receive breakfast and lunch for free and not be charged for their first day on campus.

New Meal Application

If the student turns in a meal application in the morning or throughout the day, the student will be served a breakfast and lunch meal at no cost for that day. Parent(s)/guardian(s) are asked to please send the student with food or with money to purchase food until the meal application has been processed and a letter has been received stating the result of the application. One may always call and check on the status of the application by calling the Director of Food and Nutrition Services at 530-529-8838.

RBHS takes part in the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program. As a result, meal applications are made available in the Main Office, Cafeteria, Snack Bars, District Office, and in the Nutrition Services Department. If one has internet access, meal applications are available to print and fill out at www.cafesparta.org. As well as meal applications can be filled out online at www.nlappscloud.net. RBHS encourages all parent/guardians to call the Director of Food and Nutrition Services with questions regarding the meal application process.

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Deposit Money into Student Account

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) have the option to deposit money into the student account by cash or check at each of the Food Service kiosks and in the Nutrition Services Department.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) may also choose to prepay for meals online using debit or credit by going to www.myschoolbucks.com.

Share Bin

In an effort to reduce food waste, Red Bluff High School utilizes designated share bins as a place for students to discard unwanted food items. Food items that may be placed in the share bin are wrapped items, beverages, unopened food items, and items with a peel. These bins are put in place for students to take additional food or beverages at <u>no cost</u>.

Notification

RBHS Nutrition Services Department will ensure that all students be notified of our "Meal Charge Policy." This policy will be available on the following platforms:

- 1. Our web page www.cafesparta.org
- 2. Mailed out prior to school with the Letter to Households
- 3. Available at each of the Food Service Kiosks
- 4. Mailed out with any correspondence regarding student's cafeteria account

All foodservice staff, as well as site staff and administration will be informed of our policy. Every effort will be given to ensure that all parent/guardians are notified as to the availability of free or reduced-price meals, where to obtain applications, and assistance in filling out the application. It is the objective of the Food Services Department at RBHS to ensure that no student will go hungry while at school. As well as is also the department's responsibility to operate in a fiscally sound manner.

After-School Supper Program

Lastly, RBJUHSD is proud to participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program. This program allows RBJUHSD to serve students a meal after school free of charge to all students who are involved in an after school program. This meal service takes place promptly after school and is served in the cafeteria.

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