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Dear Scotts Valley School Parents:

Welcome back to a new school year! During this time of uncertainty, the Scotts Valley Unified School District's Food Service Department wants to reassure you of its commitment to serving your students nutritious meals that support their academic growth and promotes healthy lifestyles. The Scotts Valley Food Service Department will be offering prepackaged grab and go meals, with a vegetarian option, with the goal of providing meals that meet the most current federal and state requirements.

Scotts Valley participates in the National School Breakfast and Lunch Program. You may qualify for assistance **anytime** during the year by filling out an application with our Food Service Department. It is highly recommended to use the <u>online application</u> which is available on the district's website, under the Food Service Department. All applications are kept confidential.

In recent years, student food allergies have become a growing concern. To better serve you and your families, we ask that you complete the <u>allergy statement form</u> on your school's website and turn it into the school office. This will help us in providing alternative food choices to accommodate your child's needs.

Scotts Valley offers an online payment system – <u>My School Bucks</u> – on the district's website for your payment convenience. We encourage parents to deposit money on their child(ren) account in advance. Students will still have the option to pay by cash at the time of purchase. Should payment be made by check, please include your student's name or ID number so funds are deposited to the correct account. Please make payments in a timely fashion so your student's account does not go negative. Negative balance letters will be sent home weekly for those accounts that go negative.

Should you have any questions, I can be contacted at (831)430-0683 or via email at jrasmussen@scottsvalleyusd.org.

On behalf of the Food Service Department, thank you for your support.

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