



Your School District has implemented the Community Eligibility Program (CEP) throughout the 2025/2026 school year.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN?

He or she is eligible for FREE BREAKFAST and FREE LUNCH at school during the 2025/2026 school year. Your child/children can participate in school breakfast and lunch without having to pay a fee or submit an application. No further action is required by you.

ALL MEALS MEET FEDERAL AND STATE GUIDELINES.

All meals will meet federal and state guidelines. Students must take 3 of the 4 items offered at breakfast, and 1 of those items must be a 1/2 cup fruit. At lunch, students must take 3 of the 5 items offered and 1 of those items must be a 1/2 cup fruit or vegetable. We are excited to introduce the "Pack and Carry" Option! Students that still want to pack a lunch may do so and also still participate in school lunch. We offer fresh fruits (apple, banana, orange, etc.), fresh veggies (baby carrots or tossed salad for example) and a choice of milk for students to take as they go through the serving lines. These items, along with the packed items, will help complete their lunch at no additional cost to you.

ARE ALA CARTE ITEMS INCLUDED?

Students who wish to purchase an extra entree, one of our snack options, or just milk must pay for them. This program does not apply to ala carte items.

CONVENIENTLY MANAGE STUDENT ACCOUNTS.

You can add money for your student(s) account to purchase extra meal items or snacks, identify when and what your child/children are eating, and receive low balance account notice by visiting your online payment service.

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Caring people serving great food is our recipe for success.

THE NUTRITION GROUP IS PROUD TO BE YOUR SCHOOL'S FOOD SERVICE PROVIDER.

We want all students to enjoy healthy and delicious school meals every day. We also believe it is our responsibility to be more than just people who put food on a plate. Our overall goal is to fill kids' bodies, minds and hearts with fresh, innovative, chef-inspired choices.

- **New, on-trend food options**, including Ramen Noodle Bowl, Cheese Tortellini BLT Salad and BBQ Pulled Pork Quesadilla.
- **Convenient grab & go selections**, healthy snacks and beverages. Our Boba Teas and Nacho Bar are a big hit with students.
- **Youth Advisory Councils and Parent Advisory Councils**, which give students and parents the opportunity for taste-testing new menu options.
- **Our locally based team** will be in schools daily to ensure smooth and efficient operation of your school's cafeteria.



Looking forward to a delicious
and fun year ahead.



Erin Murray
Food Service Director

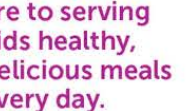
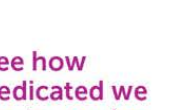
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One of the most important
ways we feed our students is
through our many interactive
Nutrition Education Classes.

These are designed to encourage trying new food, eating healthy and learning about world cuisine. Students will get to try new meals like Hummus and Chicken Curry. Plus, we will serve fresh fruits and veggies grown from local farms. We also have programs focused on sustainability and recycling, which are very important to today's students.

Check out all of
the programs we
offer here.



See how
dedicated we
are to serving
kids healthy,
delicious meals
every day.





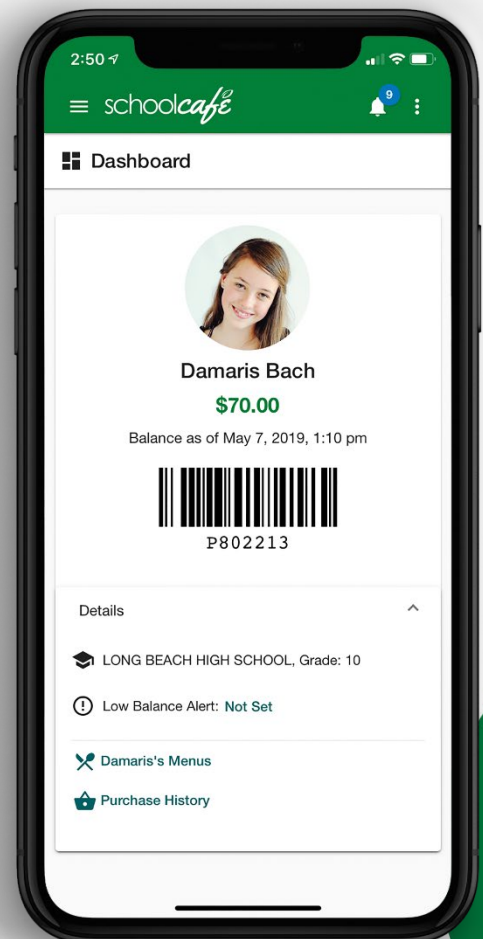
One app for your entire cafeteria.

PAYMENTS MADE

With email and push notifications, parents can stay on top of their student's account balance. Low balance reminders make sure parents never miss a payment and students always have adequate funds in their account.

ADDITIONAL INFO HERE

Parents will need their students ID number to set up account.



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