

School Meals Charge Guidelines

Charging for school meals refers to any time a student does not have enough money to cover the price of a meal at the point of sale. Charges for meals are permitted for students who occasionally forget or misplace their money up to a MAXIMUM of the dollar amount below.

Full pay students = 2 lunches and 2 breakfast meals or **\$10.00** in total charges.

Reduced status students = 4 lunches and 4 breakfasts or **\$3.00** in total charges.

Snacks and ala carte items cannot be charged.

We ask that charges be repaid the following school day. Once a student reaches the charge limit, DACC will not let a student go hungry if the student does not have money for the meal or a packed lunch. DACC will offer cereal and milk for breakfast and a PBJ Uncrustable, cheese stick, and a milk for lunch. This meal is known as a ticket or emergency meal.

NOTIFICATION OF LOW CASH BALANCES

- Parents may be notified of low cash balances through a free automated email when parents register their student online with PayForIt.net. To register a student with PayForIt.net the student ID number is required. Parents may go to the district website www.delawareareacc.org and under Students & Parents click on Cafeteria. Follow the instructions to 'Log Into PayForIt.net' to register their student for online payments. Parents may select to receive email low balance notifications from PayForIt.net. Online payments through PayForIt.net require 1-2 business days to appear on the student's lunch account.
- Negative Balance Reminders** will be generated at the first of each month. The notices will be given to the student at the register to take home for their parent/guardian as a reminder to replenish the student meal account with money owed and to remind them additional funds will be needed for any future meals.
- The cafeteria manager will also notify parent/guardian by phone, when the student's lunch account has reached the maximum limit of allowable charges, to inform parents money is needed OR a packed lunch will be need to be provided.

CHARGING will NOT be allowed at the end of the school year:

- No charging will be allowed during the full month of MAY.
- Unpaid meal charges for seniors must be paid prior to attending the DACC completion ceremony. The cafeteria manager will notify the parent/guardian by phone to inform the parent of the negative account and the requirement to pay prior to the DACC completion ceremony.
- Unpaid meal charges for juniors will be carried over at the end of the school year to the next school year and will be subject to this charge policy the following year.