# **Chattooga County Schools**

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## **Charging of Meals**

All cafeterias have computerized cashiering with pre-payment ability. We encourage pre-payments for the student's convenience. Parents may check student balances and make payments on <u>www.K12PaymentCenter.com</u>. The Nutrition Department at the Central Office has the capability to process credit card or debit card payments in person or over the telephone. There is a fee for this service.

Limited charges are allowed. However, charge balance letters will be sent home by students monthly. If charges are not paid and become excessive, the Nutrition Department will make phone calls to parents/guardians. If a successful resolution is not met the administration may make a referral to school social worker or seek reimbursement through any legal means.

### Free and reduced lunch application procedure

- Every student receives a free and reduced meal application on the first day of each school year or on the first day of his/her enrollment in this system.
- After the application is completed, it should be submitted to the lunchroom manager. (Note: If a family has more than one child in the school system, only one application needs to be submitted.)
- The manager will send the application to the Food Service Department at the Central Office.
- The Food Service Department will compute the application for approval. A letter will be sent to the lunchroom manager indicating the child's free or reduced meal status. The manager will give this letter to the child to take home to his/her parent/guardian.
- Free and reduced meal applications are valid for one school year only. Applications must be filled out each year the child is enrolled in our system. However, students who received free and reduced meals the previous year may continue eligibility for up to 30 days of the new school year while a current application is being processed.

#### The child is responsible for paying for any meals he/she eats until his/her application has been filled out, turned in, and approved.

#### Lunch Period

It is required that **every** student go through the serving line during lunch periods. The only exception to this is if a student has brought their own lunch from home. No students should be held in classrooms, or allowed to sit at a cafeteria table, without first going through the serving line.

#### **Snacks and Extras**

Snacks and extra food items are available to all students. Each item is individually priced. No student may be denied access to snacks and extra food items. However, all snacks sold during the school day must meet Smart Snack guidelines. This includes fundraiser items and items sold in the school office, school store, or anywhere on the school campus during school hours. This applies to vending machines as well.

## **Expect Success**

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