

St. George CCSD No. 258

— Every Child Every Day —

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STUDENT LUNCH ACCOUNTS AND MEAL CHARGE PROCEDURES

The St. George Community Consolidated School District No. 258 provides student access to nutritious no-cost or low-cost meals each school day in compliance with federal requirements for the USDA Child Nutrition Program.

There are three types of meal benefits available: Free, Reduced, and Full-Pay. A la carte items are full-price for each meal benefit and must be prepaid or paid at the time of purchase.

Free Meal Benefit

• Free Meal eligible students will be allowed to receive a free lunch each day.

Reduced Meal Benefit

Students eligible for reduced lunch prices will be allowed to receive a lunch for \$0.40 each day.

Full-Pay

• Students will prepay for meals at the school's published paid meal rate.

Student Lunch Accounts

- Parents/Guardians are responsible for meal payment to the food service program.
- Parents/Guardians can view and monitor their student's lunch account activity via PowerSchool.
- Students/Parents/Guardians may pay for meals in advance by using the credit card payment link on the District's website (go to www.sg258.org, click on "Students/Parents" tab, and then click on "Lunch Program and Menu" section) or by check made payable to St. George School Lunch. Further details are available on our webpage at www.sg258.org (click on "Students/Parents" tab then "Lunch Program and Menu" section).
- Unpaid charges place a large financial burden on our school. Funds should be maintained in accounts to minimize the possibility that a child may be without lunch money on any given day.

Outstanding Student Meal Balances

- Notices of low or deficit balances will be sent to parents/guardians at regular intervals during the school year.
- If a student's lunch account falls below zero, the Student's parent/guardian will be contacted by email and/or phone call. The student will be allowed to receive the regular reimbursable meal.
- If a student's lunch account falls below zero on a consistent basis, the administration will investigate the situation more closely and take further action as needed.
- The collection of balances owed will follow the policies and procedures set by the school.
- If a financial hardship exists, parents and families are encouraged to apply for free or reduced price lunches for their child, if applicable.

Refunds and Unclaimed Funds

- Returning Students: Any remaining funds for a particular student may/will be carried over to the next school year.
- Withdrawn or Graduating Students: A written or e-mailed request for a refund of any money remaining
 in their account must be submitted. Students who are graduating at the end of the year will be given
 the option to transfer to a sibling's account with a written request.
- <u>Unclaimed Funds</u>: Any money remaining in a student's lunch account must be requested within one school year. Unclaimed funds will then become the property of the St. George School Food Service Program.