



Washington Elementary Snack Cart Program

Starting on the first day of school, we will be serving students a healthy snack each day for a minimal cost (about \$0.30 per day!). We are happy to be able to provide this convenient and economical option for families this year.

We know that most children do not get enough fruits and vegetables on a daily basis. Research has shown that 5 fruits and vegetables a day are the minimum required for good health. At Washington Elementary, we would like to offer your child a healthy snack mid-morning to help encourage the 5 A Day habit! We are able to order fruit, vegetables, and other healthy options in bulk, reducing the cost for you.

The cost for this program is **\$55.00 per child** for the entire 2021-22 school year! There will be a few choices each day for students including items such as: baby carrots, sliced apples, oranges, yogurt, string cheese, crackers, pretzels, and more. All of the snacks we provide meet the federal guidelines for smart snacks. Visit www.fns.usda.gov to learn more.

We are hoping for 100% participation in the snack cart program. We feel that this healthy snack will keep all of our students prepared to learn. Please fill out the bottom portion of this letter and enclose \$55.00 per child for the Washington Snack Cart program. Anyone that needs assistance with the \$55.00 snack cart cost per child can let us know by returning the bottom portion to the school. Students not participating in the snack cart program will find out from their teacher what, if any, alternatives they can bring to their classroom for snack.

Thank you to the ISD77 Wellness Team, and the Washington PTO for their support of the Washington Snack Cart program! It is our goal to allow all families to participate. Recognizing that some families may find it financially difficult to participate, you are invited to partner with us in support of all families by including a donation to go towards students who need assistance.

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Snack Cart Participation

Student Name (First & Last) _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

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I am choosing the Online payment for snack cart option. Payment can be made through the [IC Parent Portal](#): Go to Payments - Student - Optional Items drop down, & then snack cart. To add a donation to cover a student in need of a scholarship by adding another fee to the cart or sending a check to the school.

Included is my \$55 (per child) for the Snack Cart Program (Checks payable to Mankato Area Public Schools)

Included is my \$55 (per child) plus a donation for students who need assistance.

I am interested but need assistance with the cost. I am enclosing what I can contribute or would like a phone call to discuss. Phone # _____

We will be bringing a healthy snack from home and not be participating in the snack cart

OFFICE USE ONLY \$ _____ CASH \$ _____ CHECK _____ CHECK NO. _____ DATE _____