

CSD 13 SCHOOL BOARD

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School Nutrition Program Collection of Money

School based nutrition programs play an important role in promoting lifelong healthy eating. Healthy eating patterns are essential for students to achieve their full academic potential, full physical and mental growth, and lifelong health and well-being.

The CSD 13 School Nutrition Program shall offer varied and nutritious food choices that help students establish and maintain lifelong, healthy eating patterns. These choices are consistent with the federal government's Dietary Guidelines for Americans. In order to financially support the program, it is important for parents & guardians to cooperate by paying for school meals in advance or on the day requested.

Each summer, the CSD School Board will, at its August Board Meeting, set the maximum price that parents and guardians can charge for the upcoming school year.

CSD 13 Schools will assist families in making arrangements to pay off outstanding balances of \$20.00. This assistance will include helping parents & guardians' complete applications for free or reduced lunches and/or establishing a weekly or monthly repayment plan.

Allowing charges to continuously accumulate can lead to tremendous deficits for the school nutrition program and is unfair to the families that do pay for their meals.

CSD 13 Schools reserve the right to revoke charging privilege if it becomes excessively abused.