East Holmes Meal Charge Policy & Meal Prices 2023-2024 SY

The Nutrition Services Department is a self-sustaining enterprise fund and must generate funds through student and adult meal sales, smart snack sales, and federal and state reimbursements in order to pay all operating expenses. East Holmes Local Schools has adopted a meal charge policy for students and staff which is as follows:

When a student forgets lunch money we will:

- 1. Treat all students with dignity and respect;
- 2. Encourage parents to assume the responsibility of meal payments and to promote self-responsibility of the students;

Meal charge procedure:

- 1. When a student has less than \$3.75 in prepaid lunch money remaining on their lunch account, the cashier will remind the student to bring in lunch money.
- 2. If however a child's account reaches into the negative, the Nutrition Services Department will still provide a regular meal from the lunch menu and charge the student's account unless a student's parent / guardian has specifically provided written permission to the school to withhold a meal.
- 3. Negative balance letters will be sent home via parents preferred method of communication.
- 4. Negative balances will be added to end of year school fees.
- 5. Students may not charge a la carte items such as chips, cookies, and all extra snack items.
- 6. Adults are not permitted to charge.

Meal Applications for free or reduced meals are available on our website and paper copies can be requested at any time of the year simply by calling 330-893-2610. All information is kept confidential and at no time will the Nutrition Services Department give out meal status information unless a parent requests that we do so.

Meal Debt Policy

- 1. The Nutrition Service Department will follow all meal charge procedures and make an effort to work with families and collect on negative account balances.
- 2. All negative account balances will be paid in full by the general fund at the end of the fiscal year. Negative account balances will then be transferred to student fees for the district to collect.
- 4. After the transfer to schools fees, fees must be paid in order to receive a diploma.

East Holmes Meal Prices Updated 7-26-2023

Lunch

Middle/High: \$3.75 Elementary: \$3.25 Reduced: Free Adult: \$5.00 Milk: \$.75

Breakfast

Middle/High: Free Elementary: Free Reduced: Free Adult: \$3.75 Milk: \$.75