



School Nutrition Program

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TO: Parents of 8th Grade Students

Congratulations, as your child finishes his/her middle school education and prepares to enter the 9th grade at Robert E. Lee High School next school year. We hope that you and your child are looking forward to the High School experience. We trust that you will discover the meals at Lee to be delicious and appealing. Meal prices at the high school for the School Year 2011-2012 are as follows:

Breakfast: \$1.25 Lunch: \$2.30

To help you teach your high school student to take more responsibility in everyday living, IOUs are handled differently at Lee. Lee High School students **are not allowed to charge.** If a student does not have money on their account they will not receive a full lunch. They will be offered something to eat so that they do not go without nourishment, but will not be given a full lunch tray. In addition, high school students are not allowed to purchase any a la carte items or breakfast without money on their account.

Finally, **any balance on your child's middle school lunch account at the end of this year will carry over to his/her Lee High School lunch account on the first day of school in August.** If there is any account balance your child will not receive a full lunch at Lee until the account is paid. To repeat, if you owe money on your 8th grader's meal account at the end of this school year, that amount will show up on the meal account at Lee on the very first day of school. Please check your child's account balance now and make arrangements to pay it in full by the end of this school year so your new high school student will be able to receive a full meal from the very beginning of his or her high school experience. Please discuss this information with your rising 9th grader so he or she will understand the consequences of having no money on his/her meal account at the high school. Remember, we want to work with you to teach high school students the importance of taking responsibility in everyday living. Also, please note that if your child has a positive balance on their account, it will also carry over.

As always, it is best to pre-pay your child's meals on a weekly or monthly basis. Cafeteria personnel are available in the mornings before and during breakfast to receive money for your child's account. Especially in today's economy, we strongly encourage you to complete an application for Free or reduced price meals.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 332-3920.

Sincerely,

Shirley Eagle

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