



## PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

For the past two years, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) offered waivers to the Child Nutrition Program which allowed all school aged students under the age of 18 to receive a free breakfast and lunch at no charge. These waivers expired at the end of the 21-22 academic school year. Starting August 29, 2022, the Child Nutrition Programs across the nation will return to pre-pandemic operations. Breakfast and lunch will no longer be provided at no cost.

Breakfast and lunch prices for the current 2022-2023 school year are Elementary Breakfast 1.30, Secondary Breakfast 1.40. Reduced breakfast rate is \$0.30. Elementary Lunch \$2.85, Secondary Lunch \$2.95. Reduced rate \$0.40

Parents are once again encouraged to complete and submit a Free/ Reduced lunch application to see if their child would qualify for a free or reduced lunch. Applications have been mailed home, applications are also available on the district website. Any questions regarding applications/ application status can be answered through the food service department at Palmerton Area School District by contacting 610-826-3155 ext. 2237.

The Food Service Department will also be rolling out a new register program. All student balances will be transferred over to [www.schoolcafe.com](http://www.schoolcafe.com). at the start of the school year. The school café app can be downloaded to see your child's balance, add funds, transfer funds from one child to another, and view menus. Students will not be available to purchase Ala Carte items with a negative balance.

Any questions please contact Rose Levan at Dining Services. [Rlevan@palmerton.org](mailto:Rlevan@palmerton.org) or 610-826-3155 Ext. 2218.