

Food Service Guidelines for Middle School Students

The Maple River Food Service Department is excited to welcome our middle school students to the Mapleton building! Our cafeteria offers a variety of choices for students in middle school and high school. We would like to review those with you.

Grades 6-12 are offered four different lunch menus. Students have the option of a regular lunch menu, a second choice menu, an Eagle Café menu and our fresh salad bar. The cost is equal between all four lines at \$2.00 middle school price, unless you qualify for educational benefits (free & reduced prices).

We also offer Ala Carte items that are extra costs but can be paid for on your child's meal account or paid for in cash. These items include nachos, large soft pretzels, a variety of Tropicana juices and Propel drinks, healthy treats and more. Purchasing a 2nd milk, an additional meal entrée or extra fries/desserts cost extra and is considered Ala Carte. We are careful to watch meal account balances and will not charge any ala carte items to any meal account with a negative balance including free and reduced qualified.

You as a parent/guardian can see each meal transaction on the Maple River Parent Portal even if it is a cash sale. Cash purchases require the student to enter their account number with the cashier and then the cash transaction is processed. Therefore, you are able to see the item(s) they are purchasing. You also have the option to block Ala Carte purchases or can restrict these purchases by a dollar amount maximum (must also include cost of lunch purchase in maximum amount) or a single item only maximum purchase.

Please check out the Maple River Schools Website at www.isd2135.k12.mn.us by selecting the Food Service shortcut to see our menus. Please help keep your child's meal account balance stay in the positive by paying online. If you haven't yet set up an online account, it's a simple process! Select the Online Payment shortcut on the website; select Food Service Payments, then select Lunch Account Payments, All Schools. You will now select Food Service Deposit and will come to a screen to enter the dollar amount you want to pay, your child's name (please include last name) and grade. Select Buy Now and proceed to set up your account as a new customer. You will never have to worry about sending checks or cash with your child! If you do pay with a check or cash, your payment must be in a white food service envelope. This envelope is important as this is your way of telling us which student account the payment is to be applied.

If you have any questions, please call Pam Huck, Food Services Secretary at 524-3918 ext. 252 or Heather Ehlke, Food Services Director ext. 282.