

# News from the Her Cafeteria

## 2019 2020



### Adding Money to Your Student's Lunch Account

#### LOG IN TO SKYWARD FAMILY ACCESS

- Log in to Skyward through a computer, not mobile app .
- Click Food Service then Make a Payment.
- You will be sent to eFunds for Schools where you can log in with your Skyward user name and password use lowercase characters only .

#### E FUNDS FOR SCHOOLS HOW TO ADD MONEY TO YOUR ACCOUNT

Add money to your child's account through eFunds for Schools. The average daily lunch price is between \$4 and \$6.

- Click Make a Payment First time users will be required to enter payment information .
- Select the student you wish to make a payment for tabs are located in the middle of the screen .
- Follow step-by-step instructions to make a payment.
- Click submit and wait for confirmation.

#### ENABLE ACCOUNT BALANCE NOTIFICATIONS

You can receive alerts when your student's lunch account balance is running low.

- Under Advisory Services, click on Low Meal Balance.
- Enter a minimum amount balance \$10.00 is a recommended amount .
- Enter the replenish amount of your choice.
- Check the Notice box to receive email notifications.
- Check the Auto Replenish box if you want your account to automatically add more money if the account reaches the minimum balance that you set.
- Click Apply Low Meal Balance Settings.
- If payment information is changed for example a new credit card or different checking account number you will need to reset low meal balance settings for auto replenish.

#### CAFETERIA NEGATIVE BALANCE POLICY

The cafeteria offers the cafeteria account payment option as a convenience to the students and parents and, in turn, asks that parents help support the cafeteria's efforts to keep a balanced budget by keeping their student's cafeteria account balance positive at all times. The first time a student's cafeteria account reaches a balance of negative \$2, the account will be closed until payment is made. The second time a student's cafeteria account balance reaches negative \$2, the account will be permanently closed for the remainder of the school year and the student will only be allowed to use cash for purchases in the cafeteria.

To help avoid negative account balances, the cafeteria encourages parents to set up their student's cafeteria account so that 1 the parent will receive low balance notifications, and 2 the account will be replenished automatically by a certain amount once the account reaches a negative balance. For these settings to become active, the parent must select them through Skyward Family Access. Please see directions above.

## **EATING LUNCH WITH YOUR STUDENT**

Frequently, parents enjoy eating lunch with their student. Students are allowed to invite a friend to join them following the guidelines below:

- Kindergarten through 3rd grade students may invite one friend to join them accompanied by their special guest.
- 4th grade students may invite two friends to join them accompanied by their special guest.

We ask parents to use the designated special guest tables either inside or outside so there is adequate seating for other students at their designated tables in the cafeteria. **Parents are welcome to have lunch with their students beginning the week of September 16, 2019.** However, if your student has a birthday before this date, you are welcome to come have lunch with them on that day.

While outdoor lunch tables are conveniently located near the playground, please do not permit your student to use the playground during lunch time. The playground is reserved for grade-level recess times.

## **ICE CREAM DAYS**

- Tuesdays and Thursdays for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade students only
- Fridays for Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd and 4th grade students only

## **BIRTHDAY TREAT POLICY**

Hyer loves celebrating birthdays as it is such a special day for each student! You are welcome to join your student for lunch on their special day and bring him/her a birthday treat. If you would like to celebrate your student's birthday by providing an item for every student in the class, you are welcome to do so; however, we strongly discourage the distribution of any food items as we want to be considerate of all students with food allergies and/or dietary restrictions. If you choose to bring a non-edible item for the class, it will be distributed at the end of the school day.

## **HPISD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRICE INCREASE**

For the first time in five years, the prices of school lunches in HPISD elementary school cafeterias will increase. The adjustments are being made after a detailed cost analysis by the district's Cafeteria Finance Committee, which includes members of each elementary school's PTA.

"We are very proud of the tasty, nutritious and affordable lunches we serve to Highland Park ISD students in our cafeterias every day," Director of Highland Park ISD Food Services Lynn Prichard said. "Increasing prices is a last resort but, in this case, it is necessary to be able to continue to provide high-quality lunches for our students."

Prices for plate lunches for students in kindergarten and first grade will increase by \$.50. Several a la carte items are going up in price from \$0.15 to \$0.50, with the larger increases on entree menu options. Please see the updated price list on the following page.

**Highland Park ISD  
Elementary Cafeteria Price List  
2019-2020 School Year**

K - 1st Grade Plate Lunch	\$ 4.50
K-1st Plate Lunch w/Organic or Soy Milk	\$ 6.00
Entrees	\$ 2.50
Baked Fish	\$ 4.00
Hot Vegetable	\$ 0.75
Soup	\$ 1.50
Baked Potato	\$ 0.75
Grated Cheese Container	\$ 0.60
Chopped Bacon	\$ 0.60
Sour Cream Pkg	\$ 0.60
Loaded w/Meat & Cheese	\$ 2.75
Hot Bread/Flour Tortilla	\$ 0.50
Hot Cheese Stick	\$ 0.60
Sandwich Wraps	\$ 2.50
Peanut Butter/Jelly Sandwich	\$ 1.50
Turkey Sandwich	\$ 2.25
Mini Turkey Sliders, 2/serving	\$ 2.75
Chips	\$ 1.25
Sabra Hummus or Guacamole	\$ 3.00
Snack Pack	

All Fruit, Fresh and Canned	\$ 0.75
All Yogurts (no Greek Yogurt) 4 oz, 6 oz, Go-Gurt	\$ 0.75
Cold Cheese Stick/Square	\$ 0.75
Smoothies/Parfaits	\$ 1.75
Chicken/Tuna Salad Scoop	\$ 2.75
All Other Cold Items	\$ 0.75
Includes: Hard Cooked Egg, Veg. Sticks Cherry Tomatoes, Small Mixed Salad, Cheese Cubes, Chredded Cheese, Cubed Meat, Pickle Spears, Sunflower Seeds, Croutons, Pita Bread, Pasta Salad, Olives, etc.	
Combo Boxed Salads	\$2.75 - \$4.25
Cereal, Bowl Pak	\$ 1.00
Ice Cream	\$ 1.00
Frozen Yogurt	\$ 1.00
Milk	\$ 0.60
Soymilk, 8 oz	\$ 2.00
Organic Milk, 8 oz	\$ 2.00
Juice, Apple or Orange	\$ 0.60
Small Bottle Water	\$ 0.60