

SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW AS A NEW MIDDLE SCHOOLER

Welcome to Middle School! Below are FAQ's (frequently asked questions) about the differences between Elementary and Secondary school meals.

- *Are the prices the same as in Elementary School?*

The price is slightly higher since the portions are a bit larger. Check the Food Services site for current prices.

- *Why don't I have a meal card?*

Middle and High School students enter their student I.D. number into a pin pad, like at an ATM. Be sure to memorize that number, you'll need it until you graduate!

- *Are the meals different now that I am in Middle School?*

YES! In addition to two hot lunch entrée choices per day, there are also grab and go salads and deli sandwich options. There are many more choices at breakfast too!

- *I'm super hungry (or thirsty), can I get more?*

Yes, there are several options available but be sure your parents approve of the extra cost first! *Note that free and reduced meal benefits only apply to the first complete meal purchased.

- You can purchase an additional portion of the hot entrée.
- You can purchase a complete second meal.
- You can purchase an additional serving of fruit or veggie for \$.50.
- You can purchase an additional milk or juice for \$.50.
- You can purchase "a la carte" items.

- *What are "a la carte" items?*

We sell a selection of snacks and bottled drinks, available both at breakfast and lunch. All snacks meet USDA "Smart Snacks" requirements. Check the list in the cafeteria for items and prices. Again, be sure your parents approve of the extra cost!

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT STUDENT MEAL ACCOUNTS:

HOW STUDENT MEAL ACCOUNTS WORK

Every student is assigned a student ID number and a meal account is created when they register with the Shoreline School District.

The account is similar to a checking account, where purchases are deducted from funds you apply to the account. At the start of the school year, we create a barcode card for each Elementary student to scan at the point of purchase. Students are taught by their teacher to pick up their card just prior to meal service each day. Middle/High School students enter their ID using a pin pad.

PAYMENTS

Funds can be applied to a student meal account in many ways:

- ***PREFERRED METHOD*** Debit or credit cards online at <https://wa-shoreline.intouchrecepting.com>.
- Cash or check to the cafeteria cashier or school office.
- Emergency debit or credit card payments by phone at 206-393-4102 or 206-393-4209.
- All forms of payment accepted in the Food Services Office located in the back of Hamlin Park at 2003 NE 160th.

Remaining funds carry-over to the next school year while the student is in the Shoreline School District.

ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

The “Food Service” tab on your Family Access page is your source to view purchase activity and see payments that have been applied. Also, there are links to the Food Service webpage and the online payment site.

If you do not have your Family Access login information, contact the office at your student’s school.

FOOD SERVICE WEBSITE

The Food Service site is a great resource for information. Some of the things you can find on the site are:

- Menus and nutritional information.
- Free/reduced meal applications, instructions and frequently asked questions.
- Price and payment information.
- Links to USDA regulations.
- Information about automated “Negative Balance Notifications” and how to set up “Low Balance Notifications”.

FOOD SERVICE CONTACT

The Food Service Office is open 7:30am to 3:30pm on school days, with varying hours on non-student days. Please contact us with any questions at 206-393-4209 or nutrition.services@shorelineschools.org.