

SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

Good nutrition goes hand-in-hand with education. Dorchester School District Two takes pride in our School Nutrition Service program. Our Office of School Nutrition is self-supporting. We depend upon the money we receive from our breakfasts and lunches to operate our program.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PRICES

Elementary Schools: Breakfast – \$1.45
Lunch – \$2.35

Middle Schools: Breakfast – \$1.45
Lunch – \$2.45

High Schools: Breakfast – \$1.45
Lunch – \$2.45

PAYMENT PLAN OPTIONS

There are several payment plan options available for purchasing school meals. Cash, checks or credit/debit cards are accepted at each school cafeteria. Prepayments are encouraged and may be made at the school cafeteria or online by accessing this website: www.myschoolbucks.com.

REDUCED PRICE & FREE MEALS

Reduced price and free meals are available at all schools to those who qualify through the USDA meal application process. Contact the school office or the Office of School Nutrition for more information or an application. Meal applications may be completed at any time during the school year.

- If your child received free or reduced meals during the prior year, you must complete a new application within the first 30 days of school
- An application must be completed for new family members.
- Students transferring from another school district must complete an application upon registration.

- Applications may be obtained at your school, in your registration packet or online at <https://www.heartlandapps.com>

CHARGING (CREDIT)

There will be NO charging. In emergency situations, parents must contact the school in order to develop an appropriate payment plan. **South Carolina Law does not require the district to provide a meal without proper payment.**

MEAL COMPONENTS

Five required food components must be offered daily:

- meat/meat alternate
- fruit, vegetable
- grain/grain equivalent
- milk

Students will have multiple choices to meet these requirements. **A selection of at least three of the five components to include fruit or vegetable must be taken for the school to receive federal reimbursement for each meal.**

A'LA CARTE ITEMS

A'la Carte items are additional food items that are sold at individual prices as an addition to or an alternative to the meal. This includes food items such as specialty sandwiches, chips, frozen yogurt, ice cream and beverages such as fruit drinks, plain and flavored water. These items are available at all middle and high schools and at some elementary school

