

Denison Community Schools

Meal Charge Policy

The Denison Community School Food Service program is a PRE-PAY system. A student must have a positive account balance to make purchases. The vast majority of our parents understand this and go to great lengths to keep their accounts at a positive balance. You can monitor your student's account online at any time by logging into PowerSchool or utilizing the RevTrak system.

We understand accounts being low and occasionally hitting a negative balance, but we are unable to continue to finance chronic negative accounts. We can work with emergency situations if you call to make arrangements in a timely manner.

Breakfast/Lunch Policy

When a student's account goes negative, the Blackboard Connect (formerly AlertNow) system begins to make automated phone calls weekly (Thursdays). When the charge limit of -\$20.00 is reached, the automated phone calls will continue, a letter will be sent home with the student, and the building secretary will attempt to contact the parent/guardian stating that their child needs to bring a sack lunch from home and needs to eat a breakfast at home until the child's account is paid.

End-of-the-year Negative Balances

Negative balances will be carried over to the following school year. These negative balances must be taken care of prior to school starting as a part of the school registration process. Parents with accounts that are negative will be asked to send a sack lunch from home and have their child eat breakfast at home until negative balances have been taken care of or a payment schedule has been arranged and adhered to.

Free/Reduced Priced Meals

Families are encouraged to apply for free/reduced priced meals if payment is a problem. Forms are available at each school or online. Students who qualify for free or reduced meals are entitled to one free or reduced breakfast and one free or reduced lunch per day – additional meals cost full rate. Students must have the appropriate amount of money in their account to purchase extra meals.