

ROSCOE COLLEGIATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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RCISD Students and Families--

I am requesting all of our families to review and address (if needed) their students lunch account at this time. RCISD had a significant budgetary deficit tied to student charged meals in the 2022-23 school year. RCISD will make some adjustments for the 2023-24 school year in an effort to avert a deficit.

Below are the guidelines RCISD will use to remedy the issue:

- Breakfast will remain free of charge for all students.
- As of August 9, 2023, all RCISD students started with a balance of \$0 dollars in their lunch account. The RCISD Board of Trustees secured this fresh start.
- RCISD will use My School Bucks (app) to manage student lunch accounts. Families are encouraged to acquire the My School Bucks app for informational purposes at minimum. There is no charge to download My School Bucks app.
- Ms. Campa (RCISD PEIMS Clerk) is available to help families with My School Bucks set up. Ms. Campa is located in the Roscoe Secondary School front office.
- Parents may communicate with Ms. Campa to be informed of their student's current lunch account status.
- Students qualifying for 100% free lunch under the National School Lunch Program will remain free of charge as per guidelines. These students do not need a My School Bucks account for the main line.
- IF a student qualifies for the National School Lunch Program with a reduced charge, these students will need a My School Bucks account.
- All RCISD students will be provided a meal regardless of lunch account status.
- Students will be able to charge meals in the main line up to 5 meals (5 business days). Students may charge one meal per day.
- An alternative meal will be provided after 5 meals have been charged.
- The alternative meal may be a cheese sandwich or a PB&J. All nutritional guidelines and portions will be fulfilled with the alternative meal.

- RCISD will use two methods to add money to a student's lunch account. A parent may add money to a student's account by either taking money to the cafeteria or adding money electronically via My School Bucks app.
- If a parent chooses to add money by taking the money to the cafeteria, the cafeteria will take cash or check only. A credit card will not be accepted in the cafeteria. A service fee will not be added for using this method.
- Families choosing to add money via the My School Bucks app will be charged a service fee per transaction. The service fee will not be reflected on the lunch account. The service fee is not collected by RCISD nor is it given to RCISD.
- Families will not be able to add money to a student's lunch account via another method. PEIMS Clerk, Central Office, Campus Office, teachers, etc... are not authorized to accept money for this purpose.
- Each student must have their own lunch account. If a family has more than one student at RCISD, each student must have an account within My School Bucks.
- Upon a student charging the first meal, RCISD will generate a letter to be sent home to inform parents. The first letter(s) sent home will be on September 1st.
- The charges reflected on the letter will be for unpaid meals starting August 9, 2023, to date.
- The first alternative meal will be served starting September 5, 2023.
- RCISD will continue with la carte offerings.
- All a la carte items must be purchased via My School Bucks account by all students to include all students qualifying for the National School Lunch Program.
- Students will NOT be allowed to charge any a la carte offerings at any time.

I want to thank our families for taking care of their student's nutritional needs ahead of time. If you have any questions or concerns, please communicate with your principal.

I further want to thank the RCISD Board of Trustees for all that they do to take care of our kids.

Gracias,



Guillermo Mancha, Jr., Ed. D.
RCISD Superintendent of Schools