

HELPFUL INFORMATION REGARDING THE SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM



- ❖ Cass School District 63 participates in the National School Lunch Program.
- ❖ The National School Lunch Program allows schools to provide healthy and nutritious lunches, based on federal guidelines and regulations at a subsidized/discount cost to school families.
- ❖ The National School Lunch Program also allows school districts to provide free lunches or reduced cost lunches to families that are at or below the federally set income guidelines. Please go to [Application for Free Meals and Reduced-Price Meals](#) to learn more about this aspect of the National School Lunch Program.
- ❖ The lunch program begins on the first full day of school and is offered to all students grades Kindergarten through Eight.
- ❖ The lunch program is provided by ARAMARK.
- ❖ Lunches are \$3.00 per lunch which includes a drink. There are also additional items available on an à la carte basis with varying prices.
- ❖ Payment for lunches is made through the “My School Bucks” website. An account must be created for each child in order for lunches to be purchased. To create an account, please go to the following link [Lunch Account Creation/Payment](#). You will need a pin number to do this. If you do not know your pin number, please contact your child(ren)’s School Office.
- ❖ Once an account has been established, you will be able to add money into your child(ren)’s account at any time by credit card as well as monitor your child(ren)’s daily purchases and account balances.
- ❖ Should you choose to add money to your child(ren)’s account by check or cash, you may do so by sending payment to your child(ren)’s School Office. Checks should be made out to Cass School District 63 and not to ARAMARK. Please be sure to clearly mark on the envelope that the check/cash is for your child(ren)’s lunch account.
- ❖ Please understand that credit cannot be extended in a child’s lunch account. Should your child(ren)’s account fall below the required amount of money to pay for a lunch, the child will be sent to the School Office, given a snack and drink and the School Office staff will contact you.
- ❖ Lunch Menus will be sent out with [NoteTotes](#) each month and will be posted on the District Website at [Lunch Menus](#). If your child(ren) has(have) food allergies and you would like to see nutritional information for any given food item, you may find basic information on the District Website at [Nutritional Information](#). For more detailed ingredient information, please contact Gayle Wilson at 331/481-4000 or GWilson@CassD63.org.

If you should have any questions or concerns about the School Lunch Program, please contact the District Office at 331/481-4000.