

Meal Payment and Unpaid Meal Charge Policy

Canyon Rim Academy is committed to providing healthy, high-quality meals to students. The purpose of this policy is to clarify the process by which students purchase meals and the school's responsibility to provide lunch to students who fail to pay.

- 1. Meals should be paid for in advance. This may be done by cash or check in the office or through our online payment system for a small service fee. You may pay online via the school website https://canyonrimacademy.org under Online Payments. Price totals for the month may be provided with the menu for convenience in paying on a monthly basis.
- 2. Parents are encouraged to monitor student meal balances. Balances are available through the Aspire Student Information System or Secure Instant Payments which are both accessible through a link on our Canyon Rim Academy website. Parents may also request the current balance by contacting the school office. Efforts will be made to notify the parents when balances are negative, rather than communicating through the student. Sealed notes may be carried home by the student.
- 3. Students will be served a lunch, even if a student's account balance is insufficient to cover the cost of the meal. Parents will continue to be contacted by the office until the account is current. Delinquent accounts may be sent to collections.
- 4. Applications for free and reduced price meals are available through the website or by contacting the office. This is a benefit meant to help families that may need some assistance to provide healthy school meals. There is no overt identification of children that qualify for free or reduced lunch, and all information is kept confidential. Application may be made at any time during the year. If parents are experiencing financial difficulties, even temporarily, they may wish to apply for free or reduced lunch benefits.
- 5. The balance of funds for students who continue at Canyon Rim Academy will carry over to the next school year. For those who leave, the balance may be transferred to younger siblings or refunded upon request.

Subject to price changes approved by the school administration, school lunch is currently available for \$2.50 per student, and \$0.40 for reduced price.

Breakfast is available for \$1.50 per student and \$0.30 for reduced price. Milk, chocolate milk, and water are available to purchase a la carte for \$0.25. Adult lunches are available for \$3.50.