



2016 - 2017

It's a new school year and time for a conversation about meals at school!

We are excited about the upcoming school year! We continue to offer food options that are not only healthy, but kid's favorites.

MySchoolBucks - We **strongly encourage** all parents and guardians to discuss meal options and responsible purchases with their children. Also, please consider using **myschoolbucks.com** as a tool for you, the parent/guardian, to review your child's purchases and manage their lunch account balance. There is no charge to set up an account and monitor your child's cafeteria purchases.

Breakfast - During the 2016-2017 school year, we will have more options available every day for breakfast. Let us provide your kiddos with a healthy breakfast daily! As a bonus, you get more time in the morning! Breakfast is offered at 9 of our 12 schools: Hillview, Maplewood, Stranahan, Sylvan, Whiteford, Arbor Hills, McCord, Northview and Southview.

Menus - The 2016-2017 menus will be available at **www.sylvaniaschools.org** after July 22, 2016. Our menu will be updated again after winter break.

No kid goes hungry - We will never take food from a child in the lunch line. However, lunch and breakfast charges will be the responsibility of the student's parent or guardian and will be collected like other student fees.

Positive balances - Letters are sent home once a month if a student's lunch account balance is over \$20.00 in arrears. If the account is not brought current, the charges will then be applied to the student's Power School account and must be paid at the Treasurer's Office. In this instance, a letter is also mailed to the home address on record.

Credit accounts - In an attempt to make certain no student goes without breakfast or lunch, our system has been configured to allow students to charge full meals (**not** a la carte items) when they do not have food with them or money on their lunch account.

Credit is for emergencies - Our new charge system is required by the state of Ohio. It is intended to be used for the occasional time when a child does not have funds in their lunch account or does not have lunch money with them. The intention of this system is **not** to create a revolving charge account.

Set limitations - The student's meal account can have specific limitations set to accommodate the parent request(s) regarding food purchases and/or monetary limits. The food service staff is available to discuss these options at (419) 824-8655 or (419) 824-8511.

Need assistance? The application for free and reduced meals for the 2016-2017 school year will be available at: **sylvaniaschools.org/our-school-district/administration/food-service** after July 22, 2016. A paper application will be available at the school office after July 26, 2016.

NOTE: Re-application is required each school year for all students.

We are committed to better nutrition and quality of foods while staying within the required guidelines. Please help us in our efforts to feed and serve students to make a difference. Thank you for your support in your child's nutrition and education and your continued support of our cafeteria program!! We are passionate about feeding and serving students to make a difference.

Sincerely,
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