

MEAL PROGRAMS

Menus – Monthly menus are available on the School District’s website at www.champaignschools.org/food-menu. Elementary students will receive menus in their classrooms at the beginning of each month. The high school and middle school cafeterias feature interactive digital menu boards.

Meal Tracking System – The Food Service Department utilizes an electronic meal tracking system to manage daily transactions. Students’ ID numbers are used to access account funds. Money can be added in any increment and as often as you like. You can use MySchoolBucks.com to see your child’s account balances and purchases; account set up and use are free.

How to Make Deposits – Parents/guardians may send payments to the school in which they currently have a child enrolled. Checks are preferred as this helps ensure that your money is reaching the school cafeteria. Please make checks out to Champaign Schools. Include your child’s first and last name in the check’s memo section. Alternatively, payments can be made online at MySchoolBucks.com using a credit or debit card for a minimal fee.

Past Due Account Balances – Monitor account funds often to ensure that your child’s account does not become negative; you can set up low-balance email notifications and auto-payments using MySchoolBucks.com. Students carrying a negative balance of \$20 or more will receive an alternative meal. A la carte items cannot be purchased by students carrying a negative balance. All balances will remain the responsibility of the student and parent/guardian.

FOOD SERVICE STAFF

The Food Service Department employs approximately 65 staff members. All of our “Lead” Cafeteria Employees hold a Food Service Sanitation Management License, while all General Cafeteria Employees hold a Foodhandler’s Certification or a Food Service Sanitation Management License.

We provide annual Professional Development for all Food Service employees.

KITCHENS

Each school day the Food Service Department provides over 5,000 meals. Each middle and high school has a full-service kitchen onsite. Within the last 2 years, the District has converted 6 elementary schools into full-service kitchens: Barkstall, Booker T Washington, Bottenfield, Carrie Busey, Garden Hills, and Stratton Elementary all now do onsite cooking. Centennial High School remains the District’s Production Kitchen for all schools that do not have full-service kitchens.

If you have questions or comments regarding Food Service, please contact:

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SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMS

The Champaign Unit 4 School District participates in the School Breakfast Program (SBP), the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), the After-School Care Program, and the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). These are federally assisted programs through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, operating in over 100,000 schools across the nation. All of these programs provide students with nutritionally balanced, low-cost, or free meals.

Many of the new menu choices were voted for by students who tasted a variety of products.

SCHOOL YEAR 2015-2016 MEAL PRICES

Breakfast (all schools)	\$1.00
Reduced Price Breakfast.....	.30
Adult Breakfast	\$1.40
Elementary School Lunch.....	\$2.30
Middle School Lunch	\$2.55
High School Lunch	\$2.80
Reduced Price Lunch.....	.40
Adult Lunch	\$3.30
Student Milk40
Adult Milk50

A la carte purchases are also available at Middle and High Schools. A la carte prices vary by item.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Breakfast is available daily at every school. Breakfast consists of four components: milk, fruit, grains, and meat or meat alternative.

Students are able to choose 3 to 4 meal components as part of a breakfast. A requirement is at least 1/2 cup of fruit.

LUNCH PROGRAM

Lunch is available daily at every school. Each lunch includes components from the five food groups: meat or meat alternative, fruit, vegetables, grain, and milk.

Every day we offer a variety of foods. Students are able to choose 3 to 5 meal components as part of a lunch. A requirement is at least 1/2 cup of fruit or vegetable.

CECC SNACK PROGRAM

The Food Service Department provides free daily snacks to the Champaign Early Childhood Center both in the morning and afternoon. Children are given 2 meal components as their snack.

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Food Service Department provides free daily snacks to a variety of after-school programs in the Champaign community. Children are given 2 meal components as their snack.

SUMMER PROGRAM

The Summer Food Service Program was instituted to provide nutritious meals to children during the summer months when school is out of session. All children 18 years of age and younger are eligible for free meals at approved summer meal sites.

The Food Service Department provides summer meals to all District-sponsored summer programs as well as other community programs. Please visit our website to find out more information about times and locations of summer sites.

FREE OR REDUCED MEALS

In order to qualify for Free or Reduced Meals, a household must meet Federal income guidelines. Once qualified, benefits are received for the entire school year. Program participants must reapply for meal benefits annually.

Anyone can apply for Free or Reduced Meals online by going to www.cusd.heartlandapps.com or using a paper "Household Meal Benefit Application."

Paper applications are available at each school's office. They are also available from the Food Service Department Office.

FOOD ALLERGIES AND DISABILITIES

The Food Service Department is committed to meeting all students' needs. If your child has a food allergy or disability that affects food selections, the Food Service Department must receive written documentation from your child's doctor. The doctor's note should state the allergy or disability and what food substitutes are appropriate.