BARBERTON CITY SCHOOLS
FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT
633 BRADY AVENUE,
BARBERTON, OHIO 44203

Food Service Payment Procedure

Barberton City Schools is committed to helping each student succeed. The food service staff helps to ensure student success by providing healthy breakfasts and lunches each day. The food service department must be financially self-sufficient in order to avoid being a negative drain on classroom funds.

Households are responsible for ensuring that there are adequate funds to cover their child's meals each day. Please remember free and reduced meals are available for those that qualify. **Please submit ONE application per household.** Applications can be printed from the district website at www.barbertonschools.org under District Contacts > Food Service Department. You may also go directly to https://payschoolscentral.com to apply online. With this feature, you will need your student(s) ID number(s). Paper copies are also available in all school main offices. A **new** application **must** be filled out at the start of each school year. If your income status changes anytime during the school year, please fill out a new application. There can be no retroactive approvals of these benefits so if you owe money from meals charged prior to being approved for free or reduced meals, you will still owe that money.

Meal account balances may be viewed by parents on PaySchoolsCentral.com. This website allows households to make online payments, monitor account balances, and track student purchases in our cafeteria. You can also find the link on the district's website under Parents and Family > PaySchools Central. From this page you can create or sign in to your account and add money to your child's school meal account. There is **NO** fee for this service. Please consider the Auto Replenish option. This feature allows you to set automatic replenishment payment to the account when it reaches a dollar amount of your choice. Cash and checks are accepted at all cafeterias.

We have adopted a new charge policy. We are allowing students to continue to eat the regularly provided meals and no longer have an alternate meal. Please understand that these meals will be charged to your student's account. Again, charges listed on a student's meal account are the responsibility of the household. Please be aware that if meal charges are not paid by the end of the school year, the negative amount will be transferred to the student fee account as part of their non-waivable fees. In order for students to be eligible to purchase A la Carte (extra) items, they must have cash in hand or funds in their meal account.

If a student leaves the school district and has a positive balance in their meal account, there are three options for the remaining positive balance. You may transfer to a sibling, relative, or student of your choice. You may transfer the balance to the school of your choice donation account for students in need. You may request a refund if the balance is sufficient. If after one year the funds are still in the meal account, the balance will be transferred to the donation account of the student's school.
Please contact the food service office for their assistance with any of the above choices.

If you have any other questions or need assistance, call Marcia Kuhns at (330) 753 1025 ext. 13107 or email Marcia at mkuhns@barbertonschools.org**.**

Sincerely,

Marcia Kuhns

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Barberton City Schools
Food Service Director

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