



Welcome back to a new school year! Our department has had a few changes over the summer and we want to make sure you have all the information you need about our program and to clarify some areas that we have found to be confusing! Thank you! Please reach out to our office anytime!

#### Loss of Community Eligibility Provision

We are sorry for all the confusion around the loss of FREE meals for all students. We know this is hard to understand and hard to explain in a short paragraph. The quick version is that your school no longer meets the federal requirements to be a CEP school.

The silver lining to this loss is that all students who attended CPE, JES, MRE, or Hanby in the 18/19 school year start the year with a 30 day free carryover benefit and can eat breakfast and lunch for free until 10/15/19.

As a department, we love feeding your student(s) and wish we could continue this provision. Please know that we will always serve your student a meal, we will not discuss their account with them, or ask them for meal payment.

#### Need to know if your Application has been processed?

As we transitioned to using Titan School Solutions we also trialed emailing our free and reduced notification letters. If you are not sure if your student's application has been processed please check your email for an email from Titan Solutions. If you do not have an email you can call our office for clarification or create an account in the Titan Family portal (see box to the right) and check their eligibility status there.

#### Meal Prices

<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>\$1.75</u>
<u>Lunch</u>	<u>\$2.50</u>
<u>Milk</u>	<u>\$0.50</u>

We are no longer using myschoolbucks for online meal payments. We have transitioned to Titan School Solutions, all student balances from school year 18/19 were rolled over to Titan School Solutions. We encourage all families to visit [family.titank12.com](http://family.titank12.com) and create an account. Accounts are free and a great way to manager your student(s) meal account.

#### Within Titan you can:

- Apply for Free/Reduced Price Benefits
- Check your free/reduced application status
- Set up low balance notifications
- See your student(s) transaction history
- Make a payment, *transaction fee of \$2.60*

Check out our website, [www.district6.org](http://www.district6.org), under **About Us** click on **Food Services**.

*View updates about our program, access the link to the online free and reduced application, and view all of our school menus.*

#### **About Our Program**

Each of our schools has their own Nutrition Team working to prepare delicious and nutritious meals for your student(s). All meals are planned and prepared to meet USDA rules and all food items we purchase meet the guidelines set for the National School Breakfast and National School Lunch Program. All of our teams at each school prepares their food on site daily. We focus on creating menus that kids will enjoy. Our goal is to have a healthy mix of scratch made food items mixed with ready to eat foods. We have bakers working at Crater and Scenic daily to make rolls and pan bread for our elementary schools. Each elementary school makes their own dressings, sauces, and hand cuts many of their produce items. We love to use recipes from [foodhero.org](http://foodhero.org) and other School Nutrition Resources for our salad bars. We want fresh produce to be exciting for kids and we love that they get to visit the salad bar when they eat with us and choose the fresh fruits and vegetables they want to have with their meal. We also collaborate with Rogue Valley Farm to School for Tasting Table Events hosted once a month in each elementary school.

#### **We love to buy local. We purchase from the following companies, we are always looking for our next local partner:**

- Boyajian Livestock LLC, Ground Beef • Camas Country Mill, Biscuit Mix • Duck Delivery, Produce • Fry Family Farm, Produce • Lochmead, Yogurt made specifically for Schools •
- Marvins Garden & Livestock, Breakfast Sausage and Produce • Naumes Pears • Salant Family Ranch, Beef Roasts & Ribs • Simple Superfoods, Pesto • Terra Sol, Pea Shoots • Thomas Family Orchards, Fresh Fruit • Valley View Orchards, Fruit • Walls Berry Farms, Jam for our Sandwiches • Zenner's Sausage Company, Hot Dog and Sausages