Pioneer School Meal Charging Policy

The purpose of the Pioneer School Meal Charge Policy is to establish consistent meal account procedures to ensure that the Child Nutrition Program can operate successfully and provide nutritional meals for all students. We value the importance and understand the impact that well-balanced, nutritious meals have on student learning. Every student will have access to reimbursable school meals.

The Pioneer School Meal Charge Policy will be provided to all parents, students, administration, faculty, and staff on the school website as well as in the enrollment packet. Free and Reduce Meal applications will also be provided to all parents and students in the enrollment packet and are encouraged to fill the forms out on the day of enrollment. Assistance with these forms and additional copies of the meal charge policy or meal applications are available in the front office.

Students that do not qualify for free and reduced lunches are required to pay for school meals. Pioneer School understands that situations may arise where a student's account has a negative balance. The Pioneer School policy is enforcing that a child can charge up to \$30.00 on their individual account. Upon reaching the \$30.00 limit, a statement of negative balance will be sent home to the child's parents or guardians. If left unpaid, the child will be provided with an alternate meal continuing until the balance is under \$10.00 or paid in full. All students will be treated with courtesy and respect regardless of their meal account status.

Pioneer School will continue to monitor child meal accounts and promote the free and reduced application process throughout the school year for qualifying students. All meal balances must be paid in full at the completion of the school year. Office personnel will be available daily to collect money owed for child meal accounts. This policy will go into effect for the 2017-2018 School Year and will be strictly enforced.

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