

Welcome to the Chariho Lunch Payment System

What is it?

The Lunch Payment System is a computerized cash register system for the School Food Services Program using the NutriKids software.

Why are we using it?

We want to ease the process of paying for food services at school. Students are able to put money on account and eliminate the need to carry cash to school every day. This speeds up the lunch lines in all of our buildings!

Here's the process:

Parents can add money to their students account by enclosing payment in an envelope clearly marked "Lunch Program" with the student's name, amount, teacher's room and parent contact information in the event of any questions. If the payment is for more than 1 student, please indicate how the money should be split (for example: Johnny = \$10.00 and Sally=\$15.00). Payment can be made in any amount your budget will allow.

Elementary Students will turn the envelope in to their teacher to be sent to the kitchen with the daily lunch order. Any amount can be put "on account." (Elementary - \$2.00 for today's lunch or \$360.00, enough for a lunch every day for the entire school year or any amount in between!).

High School and Middle School Students should leave the envelope in our special NutriKids lock box, located in the school office area. (HS - \$2.50 for today or \$450.00 for the year & MS-\$2.25 for today or \$405.00 for the year...)

Students are issued 4 or 6 digit ID numbers. The ID number is like a PIN for an ATM machine. The student enters his/her ID number into a PIN pad in the lunch line prior to reaching the cashier. The ID number calls up the student's account to make it easy for the cashier to cash out the student.

The ID number calls up information for each student including his or her account balance. The cashier will identify the student by name to ensure he/she is working with the proper student.

Each student is only able to access his or her own account using the unique ID number.

Students are asked to pre-pay into the system as much as possible. This reduces the number of times the student needs to put a payment envelope in the lockbox in the morning. At lunchtime, students move through the lunch line much more quickly if they have money on account.

How can parents help?

Watch for more information about the lunch payment system coming home with your child or on your school's website.

Consider establishing an account for your child.

Work with your child to learn their ID number.

Thank you for your help!