

**Students who qualify for  
FREE LUNCH**

qualify for FREE BREAKFAST.

**Breakfast is....FREE**  
for all students who qualify for  
free or reduced-price meals!

Breakfast is served  
before the first bell at all schools.  
Please contact the school office for exact times.

**All students who qualify for  
REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH**  
qualify for FREE BREAKFAST.

**Students in grades 4 through 12**  
(and pre-kindergarten students),  
**who qualify for  
REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH,  
pay just 40¢ for lunch.**

Lunch is FREE for students in grades K through 3  
who qualify for reduced-price meals!

All students (free, reduced, and/or full-price) MUST take a meal with certain minimum components for the meal to be reimbursable (the federal government reimburses the district for complete school meals). Sometimes this *can be confusing* to new or younger students. If you have questions about component choices, please speak to the Kitchen Manager at your child's school. **We do not have a free "milk only" program.** **If you qualify for free or reduced-price meals, your child must take an entire/complete meal (as outlined below) in order to receive the meal at no cost or at the reduced price.**

**Breakfast**

Students must take *at least* 3 servings (some menu items count as two), and may choose up to four:

Grain or Protein & Grain  
Fruit, Juice, or Vegetable  
Milk

**Lunch**

Students must take *at least* 3 different components (may choose up to five), one serving must be a 1/2 cup of fruit and/or vegetable:

Protein  
Grain  
Fruit (or fruit juice)  
Vegetable  
Milk

**If your child attends a high school it is important that he/she (or you) check with the Kitchen Manager at the school regarding appropriate meal components.** The comprehensive high schools each have a Culinary Arts Program and as such, setup is a little different from other schools. In order for a meal to be reimbursable, it must be complete (as outlined above).

All our menus meet age-appropriate goals for certain nutrients, total calories, and calories from saturated fat. We use whole-grain products, non-fat and low-fat milk, and endeavor to source products lower in fat, sugar, and sodium and avoid foods of minimal nutritional value.

**CONFIDENTIALITY is a primary goal for our program and for the schools.**

ALL STUDENTS ("free," "reduced," and/or "full-price/paid") use a personal keypad number to access their account. The computer "knows" if a student's meal status is free, reduced, or full-price and prompts the cashier to collect the correct amount. Cashiers do not know who is free, reduced, or full-price at the terminal – they only know how much is owed (prepaid and free students are handled the same – they complete their transaction and do not owe money). There is no reason to discuss free or reduced-price status on the line and we endeavor to not have these discussions in front of others.

Complete *only one application* per household.

**Parents/Guardians are responsible to pay regular price for all meals served to their child(ren)**  
*until/unless an application is approved (allow up to ten days for processing).*

To help assure that students eat, we may allow a child to charge one meal.

One courtesy/emergency lunch is available to students who do not have money in their lunch account.

You will be notified when your application is approved or denied.

**Parents can print the Family Access page showing meal status for verification of free or reduced-price eligibility.**

*Negative balances remain on the student account until paid by the parent/guardian.*

**If you have questions or comments about the child nutrition program, please call us.**

**Child Nutrition Services**

**253-931-4972**

**Auburn School District**

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