

Community Unit School District 95

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Home of "Buddy" the Bulldog

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW POINT OF SALE (POS) LUNCH SYSTEM

Our new POS system will go into effect on Tuesday, October 14. Each child will have a picture ID with their ID number bar-coded onto it. The card will "hold" all funds for your child's lunch/milk and will be used similar to a debit card. These cards will be kept in a secure location in the cafeteria and will not go home.

You may continue to replenish your child's lunch money in the traditional way (cash or check to the office) or you may use our new credit card payment option: myLunchMoney.com. If you choose to use this option, you will need the information above: **Name, ID and Birth Date**. By participating in the online program, you will have the ability to see what your child eats each day. You must pay by this method consistently in order to view this information. The website will be live as of today, October 7, 2008 should you choose to create an account.

Please see the attached flyer for more information, or contact Kathy Taylor at Sodexo services for more information.

Sincerely,

Claudia Mall

Claudia Mall
Principal

How do we know when the balance is low?

If you are paying by check, a note will be sent home alerting you to the low balance. If paying through myLunch-Money.com, you can set up your account to email notifications of a low balance.

Account balances at end of year?

Money remaining in a student's account at the end of the year will remain in the account to be used the following year. Interest will not accrue on the amount remaining in the account.

For students moving out of district, refunds will be granted if the balance is more than \$10.00 and must be requested in writing to the CUSD Business Office. The check will be mailed to the permanent address listed on the student's file. No cash refunds will be issued, so students leaving the District are encouraged to spend balances less than \$10. Balances may also be transferred to another family member.

For more information on the cashless system, please see our website at <http://www.lz95.org> or contact one of the people listed below.

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Nutrition Services	Assistant Superintendent Business and Operations
847-540-4201	847-540-4955



Frequently Asked Questions

Is there a maximum or minimum prepay amount?

No, you determine how much to place on the account.

Can anyone else use my lunch card?

No, each student is required to have a separate account, and the picture on the lunch card will be the same one loaded into the POS so the cashier can verify.

My child qualifies for reduced lunch, can they use the system?

Yes, the barcode will have this information. The cash register will not identify students as free or reduced.

What if I have a lunch ticket left over from last year?

Turn the old lunch card into the cafeteria and they will credit your account for the remaining lunches on the ticket.

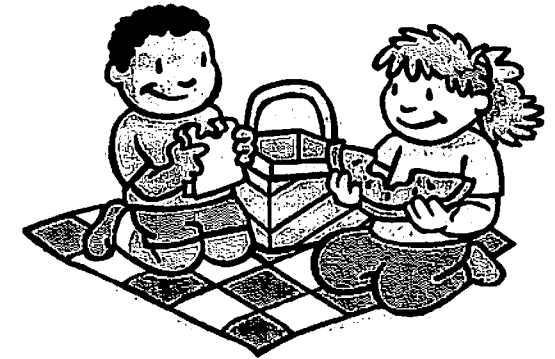
What are the lunch and milk prices?

A lunch is \$2.20, and milk is \$0.40.

Can my child buy just milk with the lunch card?

Yes, a student can purchase a lunch or just milk with the lunch card.

Cashless Cuisine comes to CUSD95



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New Cafeteria Point of Sale System

CUSD95 cafeterias will now be equipped with a cashless point of sale system (POS) that utilizes a student lunch card instead of a punch ticket.



Benefits to the students?

Cashless cafeterias have quicker lines which provide students more time to finish their lunches. Students and parents benefit from the convenience of not having to remember lunch money daily. Students will also benefit from the safety and security of not having to bring their tickets to the cafeteria. It will be there waiting for them.

Lunch Card?

Each student will have a lunch card available to him/her in the cafeteria. The lunch card is essentially an ID card with a name, picture, and bar code. Pictures taken for the yearbook from the previous year will be used for the lunch card. If the student is new to the district or does not have a yearbook picture from last year, they will be issued



an ID without a picture until we receive their current school year picture. A new lunch card will then be printed.

How does it work?

The lunch cards will be stored securely and confidentially. At lunch time, the cards will be brought out and put on display in the cafeteria. The student will pickup his/her lunch card from the display. He/She will then select a lunch or milk and approach the cashier. The cashier will ring up the purchase and then the student will pass



his/her lunch card under the scanner to pay. The POS system recognizes the student and allows him/her to purchase his/her lunch or milk. The cost is then deducted from the account. Finally, the student will hand his/her card to the cashier to be stored.

How do we add money to our student's account?

We will accept two methods of adding money to a student's account. The two methods are listed below.

CHECK

Students can bring a check and turn it into their teacher who will forward it to the cafeteria. The cashier will apply the

amount of the check to the appropriate account. All checks should be made payable to CUSD95.

A fee of \$25 for returned checks will be charged.

CHARGE



Parents can use their Visa or MasterCard to prepay cafeteria purchases through a secured third party website called www.myLunchMoney.com

Using myLunchMoney.com offers parents many additional benefits. Through the website, a parent can apply funds to multiple students at the same time. Parents can also setup their accounts with a Smart Pay option that will automatically add additional funds to the students lunch card when a pre-determined threshold is reached. Meal history is also available through myLunchMoney.com so parents can see what their child ate for lunch.

In order to open an account with myLunchMoney.com, parents will need their student's CUSD95 issued ID number. The ID number is present on the welcome letter mailed in August or may be obtained from the school office.

There will be a \$1.95 transaction fee charged by myLunchMoney.com for processing each payment.