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**SCHOOL NUTRITION CHARGE POLICY**

Grainger County Schools will follow the guidelines below for charging school meals.

1. It is recommended that parents send payments for meals daily, send payment in advance, or pay online at LINQConnect.com.
2. A La Carte food items (extras) cannot be charged.
3. Students will be permitted to charge meals (breakfast and lunch) a maximum of \$20.00.
4. Students who have charged \$20.00 will NOT be allowed to charge breakfast nor lunch and **may** be offered an alternate meal.
5. The cafeteria manager will notify the parent/guardian by phone and/or send a note by the student specifying the amount charged and the dates of charges. Each cafeteria has a history of all breakfasts, lunches, A La Carte items, etc. purchased or charged by the student.
6. When a student has reached a maximum of \$20.00 in charges, the cafeteria manager and/or School Nutrition Supervisor will contact the parent/guardian to arrange a repayment plan that will include payment levels and due dates appropriate to a household's particular circumstances.
7. ALL charges must be paid by December 1 and May 1 of the school year.
8. All students must check with the cafeteria if leaving school for any reason (transferring schools, dropping out, becoming homebound, etc.) and pay if charges exist in the cafeteria.

**SCHOOL MEAL PRICES:** Breakfast – Free to all students

Breakfast for adults/visitors - \$2.25    Lunch for adults/visitors - \$4.00

Lunch – PreK-3<sup>rd</sup> - \$2.00    4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> - \$2.25    9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> - \$2.50