

SCHOOL MEALS

The Howard-Suamico School District participates in the National School Lunch and Breakfast programs to make school meals available to all students daily. More information and program regulations may be found at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/child-nutrition-programs>.

The student's lunch tray must have **1/2 c. fruit and/or vegetable plus at least two more components** of the remaining three components--meat/meat alternate, bread/grain, and milk-- offered to qualify as a complete meal. A student taking school **breakfast must include 1/2 c. fruit and/or vegetable and two more items** to complete the meal.

Lunch is \$2.10, \$.40 if reduced price, \$3.40 for adults, and \$2.60 for senior (≥60) and child visitors. Breakfast is \$1.30, free to those approved for free/reduced price meals, and \$2.00 for adults. All meals include milk; milk price is \$.35 if purchased separately. Please make reservations before 9:00 a.m. if visiting for lunch. Payment for visitor meals may be deducted from the student's lunch account, or a meal ticket may be purchased through the office.

Every student has an individual food service account identified by the student's district identification number. **Parents deposit money in advance for mealtime purchases** via:

- debit/credit card payment submitted thru **MySchoolBucks.com** *from mid-August until the end of the school year, or*
 - checks to (to Howard-Suamico School District) submitted through classroom envelopes
- Please include student ID numbers on any account-related communications and assist your student in learning his/her account number.

Meal/milk prices are deducted from the student account balance as purchases are made. Third and fourth grade students enter the account number on a keypad in the lunch line, and a bar code version of the number is scanned for younger students. Parents can use the **MySchoolBucks.com** program to monitor account activities. (NOTE: Cashiers will only distribute account information upon request.) A student opting to purchase school meals or milk must have a sufficient account balance to cover any purchases.

Free or reduced price meal eligibility from the prior year will carry over for up to 30 days or until eligibility status is updated. Those qualifying for free meals via direct certification are identified and notified in mid-August. New students and all others will need a new application submitted for approval. **Application materials are attached to electronic communications sent to district households in early-August and via a link on the Power School-InfoSnap data base that parents access for other pertinent student data.** Copies are also available in every school office or through the Food Service office at 2706 Lineville Road.

Please refer to our Food Service page at <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/#!foodservices/c22y9> for links to our menus and nutrition information, cashier contacts, free and reduced price meal forms and other information related to our programs. Questions concerning lunch accounts should be directed to the Food Service Cashier. Other questions about our district meal programs may be directed to Kari Alvey, Food Service Manager, at 662-7702 or Jill Stordeur, Food Service Secretary, at 662-7723.

Thank you for your support of the School Food Service Program.