

FREE AND REDUCED PRICES

We want to take this opportunity to share with you some important information that may help you. We here at Caledonia Food Service encourage all families to apply for free or reduced price meals during the school year as their qualifying factors may change.

What you may not know:

- A family that is not eligible at the beginning of the school year may reapply if there has been a decrease in the household income, and increase in the household size, or unemployment.
- A family that has qualified for the Student Meal Program their student **may eat everyday** Breakfast & Lunch for their free or reduced pricing
- Every year by October 1st a new application must be submitted per household to qualify for the current school year, applications do not carry over from year to year.
- Applications can be accessed online at www.lunchapp.com where you can file electronically for more privacy. If you prefer a paper application, you may print one from www.calschools.org or pick one up at your child's school.
- We are available from 7:30am to 3:30pm daily at 891-0227 to answer any questions you may have about Food Service, or about your students account.

ABOUT ARAMARK

Based in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, ARAMARK Education is a division of ARAMARK Corporation. ARAMARK Corporation has been ranked number one in its industry in FORTUNE magazine's list of "World's Most Admired Companies." As a division, we provide support to more than 500 K-12 school districts nationwide, serving over 3.5 million lunches per day!

For information about the Food Service Program visit our cafeterias. Our food service office is located at:

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Caledonia Community Schools

A PARENT'S GUIDE TO FOOD SERVICE



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ARAMARK Education, your food service provider, is proud to be in partnership with Caledonia Community Schools. ARAMARK wants to make your students' lunch an enjoyable and nutritious experience. This brochure will guide you through lunchroom policies and procedures at Caledonia Community Schools.

PAYMENT FOR MEALS

You may send cash or a check to pay for your child's breakfast or lunch purchase; it makes providing for your child's lunch easy. Your child's account balance is completely maintained in the system, including cash on account and purchasing history.

Payments can also be made to with a credit/debit card using our online payment system www.sendmoneytoschool.com. There is a \$1.75 flat fee per transaction charged to cover the school districts fee (this feature allows you to make one deposit for the entire household for the flat fee). There is no charge for using this online feature to view your child's account balance. You can also restrict any items that you do not wish your child to purchase.

You may continue to send cash or a check to school with your child. Just let us know how you want the money split between each student and we will take care of that for you! Please make checks payable to **Caledonia Community Schools**.

If a student forgets his or her money and does not have money on their account, we will not let your child go hungry. Our policy here is your child can charge on their account up to a negative \$5.00 balance. We encourage you to keep a positive balance on your child's account .

MEAL PRICES

2015-2016 School Year

- Student Reduced Breakfast: \$.30
- Student Reduced Lunch: \$.40
- Elementary Paid Breakfast: \$1.30
- Elementary Paid Lunch: \$2.25
- Middle School Paid Breakfast: \$1.30
- Middle School Paid Lunch: \$2.50
- Middle School Meal Deal: \$3.50
- High School Paid Breakfast: \$1.30
- High School Paid Lunch: \$2.50
- High School Meal Deal: \$3.75-\$4.50
- Adult Lunch: \$3.25
- Milk: \$.50

Menus are distributed to elementary students monthly. The middle and high school menus are available in the cafeterias. All school menus are also posted monthly on Caledonia Community Schools website www.calschools.org.

Healthy Meals Feed Eager Minds

LUNCH

A minimum of five menu items are offered: an entrée, which includes a meat or protein, and a bread or grain, two fruits or vegetables, and milk or juice. Students are encouraged to select the entrée, fruit, vegetable, milk or juice, every day. Students must take a fruit/vegetable at lunch.

We offer a great value for lunch with lots of choices. Our meals meet USDA school breakfast and lunch guidelines. We offer, at a minimum, five different food groups to choose from daily.

BREAKFAST

We offer a wide variety of hot and cold breakfast choices, including milk or juice and fruit daily. Any student that is transported by the bus can let their bus driver know that they will be eating breakfast at school; they will be given permission to get off the bus early to get a nice healthy breakfast before school starts. Only \$1.30 for paid and \$.30 for reduced students.

What a great way to start the day at school!

MORE INFO...

Federal guidelines do not require students to take every item that is offered for breakfast or lunch. However, the Food Service Department encourages students to take , at a minimum, two items for breakfast and three items for lunch that are offered to ensure a well-balanced meal. Students must take a fruit/vegetable at lunch and a fruit for breakfast.

Students who pack their lunch may purchase milk in the café. Students may purchase additional side items ala carte at any of our schools.