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LETTER OF OBLIGATION TO THE CAFETERIA

Dear Parents:

Last October our cafeteria began using a computerized register system. Each student in The district is given a cafeteria I.D. number; which will not change from Pre-K through 12th grade. When the students purchase lunch or ala carte items, they punch in this number on a keypad, and all their transaction are recorded.

The Nutrikids System has been very helpful to parents, as they can go online and deposit money into their children's accounts, and they can also see what their children are eating. It has allowed the cafeteria to keep track of all charges that students make, and letters are sent to the parents informing them of their children's debts. Many parents will send in the money that is owed, but unfortunately there are some who simply ignore them.

Previous to having a computerized system, money that was owed to the cafeteria at the end of the school year was never collected, and the students started the next year with a clean slate. Unfortunately, we cannot afford to be that generous anymore. I now find it necessary to institute a strict new policy for unpaid student accounts. Beginning this school year, any unpaid charges will follow the students through their years in the school district until the debt is settled. The cafeteria is self sufficient (we do not receive any money from the general fund). We rely on government funds, and cash sales from students and adults.

If you have any questions concerning this new policy, please contact me at 629-3261.

Sincerely,

Darryl G. Whited