

Dist. #99 Lunch Program

District 99 is currently using a “*point of sale*” system in our cafeterias. The system will allow students and parents to put money into an account that can then be spent in the cafeteria for breakfast and lunch items. As students approach the cafeteria registers, they will scan their identification card or enter the ID number into a keypad. Their picture and personal account information will be immediately available to the teller. The teller will be able to debit purchases from pre-established student account. Students that have qualified lunches will have accounts that reflect this status. This will eliminate the need for them to carry separate lunch cards.

Students will be able to give **cash or checks** to the cafeteria cashier to put money on their account. Instead of receiving change back from a larger bill(\$20, *for example*) the students may find it convenient to apply that change to their account. The next time they wish to purchase food the money will be available to them.

A convenient feature of the Mealpay Plus system is a prepayment system. Parents are able to make payments for their child’s lunch by visiting www.mealpayplus.com or calling a **live Representative at MealPayPlus Help Center at 877-237-0946**, from anywhere, anytime. The software allows parents to view their child’s balance, as well as check payment history. Email confirmations of payments and low balance reminders are automatically sent to parents. Payments can be made quickly and easily using credit card, debit card or check. Wallet and **Auto-Replenish** features allow parents to set a low balance amount that will automatically replenish their child’s account when it reaches a specified balance. The **Auto-Replenish Feature** should be disengaged before the last day of the school year and turned back on prior to the start the new school year. **MealPayPlus** is a cutting-edge system, that eliminates the need for payments to be sent to school(*with the students*) for meals.

Parents using MealpayPlus will be able to log directly on to their child’s account and either put monies in the **Meal Account** which allows only the “Type A” meal or the **General Account** which allows for the “Type A” and all a la cartes (i.e. snacks: cookies, donuts, or chips) to name a few. Parents can also use the history feature, to view what their child has purchased with their lunch money. The history feature provides what your child has purchased with their lunch money. This feature in MealpayPlus tracks students’ choices for 30 days. Parents can log onto their child’s account and view what has been purchased on a specific day, and can also see itemized lists of any snacks or a la carte items that have been bought. *The ability to monitor food choices and meal purchases is available regardless of whether prepayments are made on account.*

To register online, visit www.mealpayplus.com and click the ‘Register’ tab on the left side of the screen to make payments on-line. To register you will need to have the School Student ID number assigned to your child. To make a payment to your student’s account by phone, call **866-551-5253**. The MealpayPlus system makes security a priority, and basically utilizes the same security methods used by online banking services today.

If you have payment processing questions or concerns, you can call the live representative or **877-237-0946** between the hours of **8:00AM – 5:00PM Central**. Parents can also send emails to Support@Mealpay.com anytime.



Memorandum

To: All District 99 Students and Parents

From: Rich Rogus
ARAMARK Food Service Director

Subject: Café Register System

Date: August 18th, 2008

We have an exciting new automated, computerized cash register system in our cafeterias from Horizon. With some practice, this system will enable us to move the students through the café lines more quickly and smoothly.

There are 4 ways to use our system:

1. Pay cash daily as you always have.
2. Pay cash daily and have any change you are due placed on your account.
3. Bring a check in from home and have money placed on your account.
4. Visit [www.mealpayplus](http://www.mealpayplus.com) with your student ID number and use a credit card to deposit money into your meal account.
***There is a \$2.00 fee for this service UNLESS you deposit \$50.00 or more and the fee will be waived.

Parents can also place spending limits on student accounts or restrict a student from purchasing a la carte items. This can be done by calling me at **630-795-8493** or by e-mailing the information to rogus-rich@aramark.com or the ARAMARK Clerk **Linda Knizner** at **630-795-8494** or also by e-mail: knizner-linda@aramark.com.

If you have any questions regarding our register system either at North or South, please do not hesitate to call me.

Thank you.

Rich Rogus

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