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RENAISSANCE ACADEMY
NUTRITION SERVICE DEPARTMENT
INFORMATION

Renaissance Academy Food Service Department offers five component items for lunch: Protein (meat or meat alternate), grain (breads, rice, pasta, etc.), fruit and vegetable (must take a minimum of 1/2 cup), and milk (fat free chocolate milk or white 1%). Students must choose at least three of the five items, and one of the choices must be a fruit or vegetable, as required by the State/Federal regulation.

For breakfast students have two choices of grain, two choices of fruit and milk. Students must pick three items, with one being a fruit. Breakfast is served from 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM. Please ensure your child arrives on time and finishes eating by 7:55 AM, as PE begins at 8:00 AM and we need to prepare for class.

Price

Breakfast is served every school day for $2.00. Lunch is $3.25.
Monday through Thursday, we offer three main dish options: a hot lunch, PB&J sandwich and turkey and cheese sandwich. On Fridays, we offer a PB&J or turkey and cheese sack lunch between 12:15 PM to 12:40 PM. Friday sack lunches must be eaten in the cafeteria before students are released to go home, please plan accordingly. If you are picking up students, aim to arrive 10-15 minutes after 12:15 PM to allow time for lunch**.** We are currently only offering a la carte milk ($0.50)

Families approved for the Free and Reduced Program, breakfast reduced price is $0.30 and reduce lunch is free this year. Students must get a full reimbursable meal. Second meals or a la carte items are not covered.

Lunch Ordering

If your student is eating school lunch, please fill out the Lunch Order Form found on the school main page renacademy.org.

Lunch is ordered the Thursday before the week your student needs lunch. The lunch survey report is pulled every Friday morning so we can order for the following Monday. We get our food delivery truck on Mondays for that entire week's menu. While we strive to ensure there's enough food for all students, occasionally we may need to provide one of the other meal options if a specific option runs out.

We appreciate parents helping their students memorize their Student ID, as this expedites the cashier and student line process.

Financial Assistance

Families in financial need may apply for USDA's Free and Reduced Meal Program. To apply, parents/guardians can apply online through Aspire. The application opens on the first day of school. If you have any questions, please contact Stella Aires at (801)768-4202 x5112 or saires@renacademy.org

Special Diets

If your student has special dietary needs, you must provide a doctor approved special diet statement and acceptable substitutions. This application must be signed by an approved medical authority listed on the Special Diets Form along with the Medical Authority Checklist.

Please note that our school is not peanut-free. However, we offer a designated peanut-free table to help ensure safety. To further reduce the risk of allergen exposure, our PB&J sandwiches are bought prepackaged.

Making Payments

Lunch account payments may be made online or onsite.

Online Payments

Find the "Online Payments" link on the right hand side of the school's website (www.renacademy.org). The link will direct you to Secure Instant Payments (Core Payments) website. For your convenience, SIP offers the option to schedule automatic payments in addition to making single payments.

To set up online payments, you will need your student's first and last name, as well as their Student ID. This information is typically provided by teachers at the beginning of the school year, or you can call the front office to obtain it. Please note that Core Payment will not have access to your student's ID number.

For assistance with Core Payments, you can reach their support team at 435-503-8955 or 800-764-0844.

Important Reminder: Please be aware that online payments may take up to 36 hours to be reflected in your child's lunch account on Aspire. As Aspire is also used for cafeteria purchases, any recent payments made through Secure Instant Payments, may not be immediately visible to our lunchroom staff due to processing times. For the most current information on your student's balance, payments, and purchases, please refer to Aspire, as it will have the latest updates once the payment is processed.

Automatic Payment Reminder

After an automatic payment runs, the system waits seven days before checking the balance again. If the payment only covers the negative balance and leaves a small amount available, the account may become negative again before another automatic payment is triggered.

Please review your automatic payment amount to ensure it covers any negative balance and leaves enough for upcoming meals. Continue monitoring your student's account in Aspire, even when automatic payments are enabled.

Onsite Payments

Payments made by cash and/or check may be given to the front office or kitchen. When making an onsite payment, please write school lunch at the top of the envelope, your student's names, ID#, grade and payment amount.

Onsite cash or check payments typically post to the student's Aspire account on the same day. In either case, it is highly recommended that you schedule a weekly Student Summary email through your Aspire account. In addition to an academic update about your student, this summary will also provide you a weekly report of their current lunch balance. You may check their balance on Aspire at any time by going to the "Transactions" section of your Aspire account's landing page.

Students' may be given a reduced price alternate meal ($1.25) when their account reaches a negative balance of **$15.00**. The alternate meal includes a cheese sandwich, salad bar (fruits and vegetables) and milk. You can refer to the School Meal Payment Policy for more information.

Field Trips

We offer sack lunches, which must be ordered at least **one week** prior to field trip. Students can sign up their name on their teacher's list.

Sharing Cart

Students who take food from the school lunch line and decide they do not want to eat it, can donate the food to the basket to be shared with other students. Food must either be pre-packaged (such as PB&J sandwich, string cheese, crackers, milk carton) or whole fruits or vegetables with skin intact. Students may never donate food from home to the Sharing Cart; however, they may take food from it.

If you have questions or concerns feel free to contact me before or after serving time when school is in session.

Thank you,

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