

MEMORANDUM

To: Elizabeth School District Board of Education

From: Dan Snowberger, Superintendent
Justin Henry, Chief Financial Officer

Subject: Food & Nutrition Fee Increases for 2025-26

Date: June 9, 2025

We are currently requesting approval of some fee changes for the 2025-26 school year. With the State of Colorado covering the cost of all breakfast and lunches since 2022 through the ***Healthy School Meals for All Program***, our fees have not been updated. The Colorado program covered the cost of breakfast and lunch for students who weren't being funded through the **National School Lunch Program (NSLP)**. With the state now relying on a ballot initiative to maintain the state's coverage of meals, we are proposing these fees be increased should the district be required to return to charging for food services. Should this initiative fail, it is expected that the ***Healthy School Meals for All Program*** will cease to be funded.

Prior to this state effort, we were under a directive to increase paid prices to be more similar with the reimbursement rate received for students who traditionally qualify for free or reduced meals under the ***NSLP***. As a result, we are recommending we once again increase those costs gradually until such time as our charges are more in line with the reimbursement rate being received from the Federal Government.

Those fees are as follows:

Meal Category	Prior Cost	Proposed New Cost
Breakfast – Student	\$2.50	\$2.75 (\$.25 increase)
Lunch – Student	\$3.50	\$3.75 (\$.25 increase)
Breakfast – Adult	\$3.00	\$3.00 (No Change)
Lunch - Adult	\$4.00	\$4.00 (No Change)
Milk	\$0.75	\$0.75 (No Change)