



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LUNCHES



HOW DOES MY CHILD GET LUNCH?

The lunch & breakfast menus are posted monthly on the Bridgman School website, located at www.bridgmanschools.com. If you do not have internet access, paper copies are available in the school office.

Each morning the teacher in your child's classroom will ask the children to indicate what item they want from the menu (or if they brought cold lunch). Each teacher will have a method of ordering that works in their classroom. The count is then sent to the kitchen at your school and that is how many items the food service employees prepare. At lunchtime, your child will go down to the cafeteria where they will be in line according to their menu choice (first choice or second choice). They will then proceed to the serving window where the server will give them the item they ordered. The cashier will have the child's class pulled up on the computer with the child's name and picture. The **\$2.60** charge for lunch is deducted from your child's account when they reach the cashier at the end of the line. If your child does not come down for lunch, no money will be deducted from their account.

HOW DO I PAY FOR LUNCH FOR MY CHILD?

Your child will have a four digit account number that is set up just for them. Elementary students will not have a number to remember; we will pull up each classroom with their pictures as they go through the line.

You need to deposit money into your child's account in order for them to order lunch. You can put enough money in their account for one week, one month or even one year. **Please be sure that there is money in your child's account at ALL times. This is a debit system, not credit!**

- You should send a check or cash with your child in a sealed envelope (not a zip-lock baggie) with the child's first and last name on the outside of the envelope.
- You can use one envelope and one check (or cash) for more than one child - but please be sure to include a note stating how much each child should receive in their account.
- Checks should be made out to ***Bridgman Public Schools***.
- Lunch money is to be dropped off in the Elementary School office.
- **Please do NOT send loose cash with your child.**

You may also pay on line with a credit/debit card at www.sendmoneytoschool.com. Instructions for setting up an account are on the Food Service page of our Web Site. Contact the Elementary School office for your child's Student ID number.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Students are able to eat breakfast at school, if they wish. Students will be released from the bus hallway in the morning at 7:20 am to proceed to the cafeteria. Breakfast costs **\$1.75** a day, which will be deducted from your child's meal account. Please have money in their accounts for these purchases. If your child qualifies for the free and reduced lunch program, they are also eligible for free and reduced-priced breakfasts.

MILK ONLY

Your child will need to take their ID card (available in the classroom) to the area where they pick up the milk only. They will drop the card in the 'milk only' drop box and the **\$.50** charge will be deducted by the server at the end of the lunch period. They do not need to pre-order milk.

If your child has a food or milk allergy – *please provide the office with specific documentation from your child's doctor.* We will keep staff & Food Service employees informed.

FREE LUNCH - MILK ONLY

If your child is part of the free and reduced lunch program and they bring a lunch, **they will be charged for the ala carte milk.** It is not part of the government program.

TWO MILKS

If your child wishes to have 2 cartons of milks a day they will need to bring a permission slip from home and we will charge them accordingly. If they are part of the free and reduced lunch program **they will be charged for the extra milk.** Please have money in their accounts for these purchases.

FIELD TRIPS

If your child is going on a field trip and they are told to bring a lunch, you have the option of ordering a sack lunch from the school and their account will be charged the hot lunch price. If your child is part of the free and reduced lunch program, they will not be charged if they are free; and if they are reduced they will be charged \$.40. Please let your child's teacher know if you would like the school to provide the sack lunch.

Sack lunches include a peanut butter & jelly sandwich (if there is a peanut allergy we will substitute), baked chips, fruit, juice box and cookie.

