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Grand Rapids Christian Schools Hot Lunch Information

Dear Parents,

Grand Rapids Christian Schools is excited to offer the National School Lunch Program for students and staff at the Grand Rapids Christian Middle School. Below is a summary of some important details about our food service program.

- 1. Every student at Grand Rapids Christian Schools has a lunch account tied to their GRCS Student ID number. Positive balances from the previous school year will roll over to the current school year, negative balances must be paid in full at the end of the school year.
- 2. Our system, Meal Magic, is a Pre-Pay program.
 - Designed like a debit account, it eliminates the need for students to carry cash to school.
 - Families deposit funds into their student's account, which can be used on any day.
 - This improves the speed of the lunch line, giving students more time to eat, and protects the privacy of students receiving meal benefits.
- 3. A feature of Meal Magic is <u>sendmoneytoschool.com</u>. This is a convenience for parents to deposit money into your child's account online for a small fee with your credit/debit card.
 - This site will also allow you to monitor your child's purchases each day.
 <u>SendMoneyToSchool.com</u> is an optional service and is NOT required for your child to participate in the hot lunch program.
 - If you are interested in this service, go to <u>www.sendmoneytoschool.com</u>. You will need your child's Student ID number.
 - You may also pay with cash or by personal check made payable to GRCS Food Service for no additional fee at your child(ren)'s school(s).
 - Please send these payments to school in an envelope with your child's name and grade.
- 4. If you wish to apply for Free/Reduced Lunch, please click on the link provided on the Hot Lunch page of the GRCS Website, or go directly to <u>www.lunchapp.com</u> where you will quickly and easily be able to apply for Free and Reduced Lunch Benefits online.
 - Please be assured that this information will remain confidential.
 - If you need an application mailed to you, please contact your school office or Jill Zondag at 616.574.5815.

- 5. A new application must be submitted each school year.
- 6. Meal Prices for the 2019-2020 school year are as follows:
 - Full Lunches will be \$3.25 (GRCHS), \$2.85 (all others) for students in 5-8.
 - "Reduced" lunch price 40¢.
 - All full lunches include milk.
 - Milk alone is 50¢/carton.

We are committed to serving students with healthy school meals that provide excellent nutrition to enhance student learning. We look forward to serving your family this year!

Please visit <u>www.grcs.org/hotlunch</u> for all your hot lunch information, including links to all the Meal Magic services, Menus, and answers to many frequently asked questions.

In addition, I am happy to assist you personally at any time at <u>NMichaels@grcs.org</u>.

Serving Our Students,

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