



MEMORANDUM

TO: Principals

FROM: Jackie Anderson
Director of Food Service

DATE: August 4, 2011

SUBJECT: Breakfast and Lunch Prices for 2011-2012

As part of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 signed into law by President Obama, Sections 205 and 206, addressed paid meal pricing for the National School Lunch Program. To be in compliance, AISD increased meal prices for the 2011-2012 school year. Meal prices for this year are as follows:

Breakfast: Elementary and Secondary Paid Price = \$1.25 Reduced Price = \$.30

Adult priced a la carte

Lunch: Elementary Paid Price = \$2.05 Secondary Lunch Price for Paid = \$2.30

Elementary and Secondary Reduced Price = \$.40

Adult Price = \$3.00

AISD Food & Nutrition Services is increasing the paid lunch price for students by the minimum amount of \$.05 required by the federal government. The government determined that the paid meal price should be equal to the free reimbursement. The paid meal price will be required to increase every year until the paid meal price equals the free reimbursement rate minus our commodity assistance which today would be \$2.51.

The reimbursement rate generally increases annually; therefore, as long as AISD increases the price by the minimal amount, prices will be required to increase each year. Our parents and staff have not experienced meal price increases in the school lunch program often. Any effort you can provide to help us encourage participation in our food service program is greatly appreciated.

The federal government has always required the use of a USDA formula to set adult meal prices. No federal reimbursement is provided for adult meals; therefore, the amount charged to adults is more than that charged to students. Letters to each employee have been mailed to inform them that the PayPams prepayment system is now available to adults. Any employee that prepays for ten lunches (\$30.00) on their employee account will receive one free additional meal valued at \$3.00.

Your continued support is very important to our child nutrition program.