FOOD SERVICE CHARGING POLICY

Children should eat lunch for best academic performance. The cost of meals at Bexley City Schools are:

- Breakfast \$2.50
- K-5 Lunch \$3.25
- 6-12 Lunch \$3.75
- Reduced priced breakfast \$0.30
- Reduced priced lunch \$0.40

Parents are encouraged to have pre-paid funds on the student(s) account. All cafeterias Point of Sale registers accept cash or check. Parents can also pay on-line at <u>www.spsezpay.com/bexley</u>.

<u>www.spsezpay.com/bexley</u> is free website to view recent student purchases and set email balance reminders. There is a fee associated for financial transactions.

Students may charge reimbursable meals, breakfast or lunch, only. They may not charge a la carte items. We do not serve an alternate meal.

If a child has cash on hand they may make purchases regardless of amounts owed. That cash does not have to go against debt.

Daily:

- K-5 We send notes home with students when their balances to \$5 or lower.
- 6-12 We give general verbal indicators to the student when their balance is \$5 or lower.

Bi weekly:

- A District generated email will be sent to all families with a negative balance.
- Households that have a balance greater than -\$20 will be emailed, then called by the Food Service Director until contact has been made.

Ongoing:

• School principals will be given the names of students with debt greater than -\$40 so they may intercede.

Monthly:

- A total dollar amount of outstanding debt will be provided to the Treasurer.
- Written letters will be sent to parents with debt greater than -\$50.

Annually:

- The delinquent debt will become "bad debt" and be passed to the District for collection as of July 1 of each year.
- The District may pursue legal remedy to be paid until the student exits the District. At minimum, the District will notify parents/guardians in writing of their debt and procedures for payment.
- The community may donate to a "general bad debt" fund that will go toward paying bad debt.

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