

August 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Welcome back!** Chartwells K12 is proud to serve Owen J Roberts once again while participating in the School Breakfast Program (SBP) and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) for the 2024-2025 school year!

#### Meal Prices \*

We're pleased to inform you that the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has provided guidance that all enrolled students within the Owen J Roberts School District will receive a **free breakfast for the entire school year** through the School Breakfast Program (SBP)! Additionally, students eligible for reduced-price lunches through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) will not be charged for their lunch meals. For students not eligible for free or reduced-price meals, the prices are as follows:



Elementary Schools: \$3.15 Middle School: \$3.35 High School: \$3.70

### 🍅 Free and Reduced Meal Applications 🥕

To apply for free or reduced meals, please complete an application at <u>www.schoolcafe.com</u> or obtain a paper application from the school office. The grace period for submitting applications has been extended to **October 8, 2024**. Be sure to reapply before this deadline. For assistance, contact Dora Gallagher at 610-469-5123.

#### **Special Dietary Needs and Allergy/Medical Conditions**

If your child has a food allergy or medical condition, please send a written doctor's note to the school nurse. For dietary substitutions, federal regulations require a written doctor's note. The nurse will forward this information to food service personnel, and it will be entered into our POS system to alert cashiers discreetly. For a special dietary menu, please contact the Director of Dining Services at (610) 469-5127.

## 🧪 Our Breakfast & Lunch Program 🥕

**Breakfast:** To qualify for a reimbursable breakfast, students must choose at least three components from these five: meat/meat alternative, grain, vegetable, fruit, and milk. One selection must be a fruit or vegetable. If fewer than three components are chosen or a fruit/vegetable is missing, the meal will be charged at a la carte prices.

**Lunch:** For a reimbursable lunch, students must pick at least three components from these five: meat/meat alternative, grain, vegetables (up to two servings), fruit (up to two servings for high schoolers), and milk. One choice must be a fruit or vegetable. Meals missing a fruit/vegetable or fewer than three components will be charged a la carte.

**A la carte Pricing**: If a meal does not meet the criteria for a reimbursable breakfast or lunch, the student will be charged for each individual item at a la carte prices. This ensures that all students receive balanced and nutritious meals that comply with federal guidelines.

Account Payments and Policies

#### **Payment Methods:**

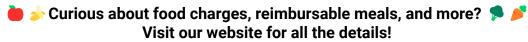
SchoolPay: All deposits to student lunch accounts must be made via SchoolPay, our
online payment system. We do not accept cash at the cafeteria registers. To make a
payment, visit <a href="SchoolPay">SchoolPay</a>, where you can add funds to your child's account securely.
Payments may take up to one hour to appear in our POS system.

#### **Personal Identification Number (PIN):**

• **PIN Usage:** Each student is assigned a Personal Identification Number (PIN) by the Owen J Roberts School District. This PIN must be used for all cafeteria transactions. Students may also use their last name for transactions.

#### **Account Transfers:**

• **Year-to-Year Transfer:** POS balances will transfer from year to year within the district. There is no need to request a transfer; balances will automatically carry over.



https://www.oirsd.com/foodservice.

Through sharing our passion for great-tasting food, instilling a desire for food discovery, and most importantly, providing nourishing meals, we're excited to continue serving up "happy and healthy" to your children in the year ahead!

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Warm regards,

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