Food Service Online Prepayment Program Open a Lunch Account for your Student and Deposit Funds Online!

Dear Parents,

SAU # 39 School Nutrition Department is excited to announce an easy and secure online prepayment service to deposit money into your child's school meal account at any time of the day.

This service also provides you the ability to view your child's account balance through a web site called www.mySchoolBucks.com. When each child's account has had money deposited prior to entering the cafeteria lunch lines move faster and students have more time to eat and be with friends.

You will also have the ability to print a copy of your child's eating history report. This history report will provide the dates your child has purchased a breakfast and/or lunch within the past 20 days. It is a great tool allowing you to monitor the choices your child is making and view the balance any time convenient to you. You can also enroll for alerts notifying you when the balance becomes low.

This service in now available!

You will be able to see the past 20 days of your child's account once the new school year begins.

To access this service:

- 1. Simply go to the district web site at www.sau39.org/schoolnutrition
- 2. Click on the My School Bucks link.
- 3. Click on the mySchoolBucks.com link. From this site you will create your account and add money to your child's school meal account. All you need is your child's name, student ID number (located on your child's schedule) and school ZIP code. The instruction listed on the back of this page will guide you through the easy online account set up process.

(For Amherst & SHS - school zip code is 03031, for Mont Vernon schools zip code is 03057)

Things to Know:

- If you have more than one child in the District you can handle all online prepayments from the same online account. Each child must have an ID number for you to complete the account.
- Payments may be made through Heartland School Solutions with a major credit or debit card.
- In order to use the online prepayment service, a small convenience fee for each transaction will be assessed to cover the bank fees. The convenience fee is \$1.95 per deposit transaction. Parents placing money into multiple meal accounts will only be assessed the \$1.95 fee once per deposit transaction.

SAU# 39 School Districts will not profit from the use of this site.

Please note that we will allow students with a zero balance in their lunch account to <u>charge only one meal</u>. Balances must be kept at a \$3.25 minimum.

In direct alignment with the SAU's Strategic Plan / Safe and Healthy Environments priority, we are confident this new system will benefit you, your child and our Districts.

However, if you choose not to take advantage of the online prepayment service you may continue to make advance payments via check made payable to the appropriate school district and delivered to the school lunch attendant.

PLEASE WRITE YOUR CHILD'S FULL NAME ON THE CHECK WITH ID #.

If you have any questions about these new services, please feel free to contact me at $\#603-673-2690 \times 2114$

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