HUNTINGTON BEACH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT

September 7, 2022

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Huntington Beach City School District participates in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP). Breakfast and lunch are offered at no cost to all students during the school day- regardless of family income. This is in accordance with the California Universal Meals Program, allowing meals to be offered at no cost to students. All students can eat both breakfast and lunch for free on campus each school day. Although all students have access to meals at no cost, we strongly encourage all families to complete a School Funding Form (also known as the Meal Application). This School Funding Form helps to ensure your family and the District schools receive all of the state and federal funds and benefits for which you may qualify (such as waived or reduced cost benefits towards school bus passes, internet access, utility bills, and more). You may apply for these benefits anytime during the school year. To access this form online, visit www.hbcsdbistro.com. Paper copies are available upon request.

We provide students with access to a variety of food choices to meet their health and nutritional needs. Food and beverages served at school meet the nutrition recommendations of the U.S. Dietary Guidelines and the nutrition standards set by the state of California. We offer students a selection of entree options accompanied with a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables, and flavored or unflavored milk. At breakfast, students must take at least 3 of the items offered with one item being at least a fruit. At lunch, students are required to take 3 options with one option being at least a fruit or vegetable. If you wish to send your student to school with a breakfast or lunch packed from home, we can provide them with a fruit, vegetable, and milk at no cost. Not to worry, our amazing Food Services staff are able to assist students during meal service to ensure they have a complete and nutritious meal.

Our Food Services department utilizes a computerized point of sale system. This system issues an account to each student which can only be accessed by your child entering their permanent District I.D. number on a pin pad in the cafeteria line. Students will use their District ID number to ensure our program's integrity and allow for access to their meal account. Please help your child memorize this number. You can download a Pin Pad Practice Sheet from our website at www.hbcsdbistro.com under our Menus section. This practice sheet is a great tool to help students memorize their number and practice utilizing the pin pads.

You are able to create an online account to check your student's purchase activity, account balances, or to make prepayments for snack purchases. You can visit https://family.titank12.com/CFW4L3 to access this payment portal.

If you have any questions regarding our meal programs, the School Funding Form (or Meal Application), our computerized point of sale system, or your child's account, please do not hesitate to call the Food Services Department at (714) 378-2076.

Sincerely,

Ashlin Connolly, MS, RDN Director of Food Services