



August 3, 2023

Dear Families of the Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School District:

I want to welcome all our school families to the 2023-2024 school year. As a part of a new school year, we like to provide our Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School District families with important information about the school year and specific programs. This letter aims to provide our school families with information about our food service program.

In the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years, federal grants allowed CWASD to offer complimentary breakfast and lunch to all students. Unfortunately, due to the end of federal grant funds, all schools no longer had additional funding to continue this option beginning with the 2022-2023 school year. As a result, CWASD must continue to offer food service programming under the pre-COVID model beginning last year. We must do the same for the 2023-2024 school year. As such, please see the food service rates below. [**NOTE:** Meals for August 28 - August 31 are free for all students.]

<b>2023-2024 Food Service Program Prices</b>			
<b><u>Breakfast</u></b>	<b><u>Price</u></b>	<b><u>Lunch</u></b>	<b><u>Price</u></b>
• High School	\$2.00	• High School	\$3.05
• Middle School	\$2.00	• Middle School	\$2.85
• Roselawn Elementary	\$1.90	• Roselawn Elementary	\$2.70
• Reduced Price	\$0.30	• Reduced Price	\$0.40
• Bright Beginners	\$1.80	• Bright Beginnings	\$1.95
• Adult	\$2.66	• Adult	\$4.75

**How Do Families Pay for Breakfast/Lunch?** Upon enrollment into the school district, Skyward Family Access automatically creates a food service account for each student. Each student is issued a unique food service code used for making food service purchases. A deduction from the student account occurs each time a student purchases a food service. Families can bring food service money to the main offices at Roselawn or the High School/Middle School for a deposit. If families prefer an electronic deposit, eFunds for Schools is an option. For more information, please use this web address: <https://www.cwasd.k12.wi.us/district/cwasd-food-service-online.cfm>

**How Do Families Apply for Free or Reduced-Price Meals?** Free and reduced-price meal application forms are available in the district office or on the district website ([www.cwasd.k12.wi.us](http://www.cwasd.k12.wi.us)). Important note: families must complete applications for this program every school year. If your student was approved for free and reduced-price meals in CWASD previously, CWASD can extend the free and reduced-price status for the first thirty operating days of the new

school year. You must reapply within those 30 days to continue receiving benefits. Families can help their schools by returning their applications, even if they choose not to participate in the lunch program. Counting the number of students who qualify is vital to ensure the school and community get the necessary resources. If your income changes at any time, you are welcome to reapply for free or reduced-price meals. If your student meets qualifications for free or reduced-price meals, CWASD encourages you and your family to take advantage of this valuable benefit, which helps stretch your family's budget. Please note that families are automatically eligible for free meals at school if they receive FoodShare, Wisconsin Works (W-2) cash benefits, Medicaid, Food Distribution on Indian Reservations, or their eligibility as a foster child. If that is the case, you do not need to apply.

If you ever have a concern or question, please feel free to call (715) 924 - 2226 and speak with Crystal Huset, Director of Finance (ext. 2019), or Sandy Stevens, Food Service Manager (ext. 2057).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Johnson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark Johnson  
Superintendent