Who to Contact

Ouestions with:

- · Lunch Accounts / Payments
- · Infinite Campus
- · Parent Portal

Jeana Tausan Administrative Assistant 605-375-3241 jeana.tausan@k12.sd.us

Questions with:

- · Filling out an application
- · Application review
- · Lunch accounts/payments

Elizabeth Henderson Business Manager 605-375-3241 elizabeth.henderson@k12.sd.us

Questions regarding:

- $\cdot \, \mathsf{Migrant/homeless/runaway} \, \mathsf{status} \,$
- \cdot Disagree with application decision

Josh Page Superintendent 605-375-3241 josh.page@k12.sd.us

Other Benefits

· SNAP/Medicaid/TANF

SD Dept of Social Services 609 5th Avenue Belle Fourche, SD 57717 605-892-2731 1-877-390-0093

Information to Note

Lunch Menus

Menus are sent out monthly. They are available on our website and Facebook page, Nation Center Newspaper, and on the Parent Portal. Menus are subject to change per availability.

Allergies

If your child has a documented allergy, please let us know. We will need a signed doctors note for the specific allergy. We will work with you to make the necessary accommodations.

Lunch Guests

Parents, siblings, or special guests that would like to eat with a student for the day are welcome. Please call the front office and let them know you will attending by 10am on the day of the visit so that we may prepare enough food.

Lunch Times

Middle School/High School: 11:44-12:07

Elementary 12:15–12:45pm



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Harding County Schools Lunch Program



2025 - 2026

Harding County School District 12474 Tipperary St. PO Box 367 Buffalo, SD 57720

Phone: 605-375-3241

Fax: 605-375-3246

Website: hardingcounty.k12.sd.us

This is your family's guide to the lunch program at Harding County Schools. If you have any additional questions, please let us know!

We are always happy to help.

Prices for 2025 - 2026 School Year

Meals

Grades K - 5: \$4.00 Grades 6 - 12: \$4.50 K-12 Reduced: \$0.40 Adults: \$5.50

A La Carte Items

Elementary Guest: \$4.00 MS/HS Guest: \$4.50 Adult Guest: \$5.50 Extra Milk: \$0.50 Salad Bar: \$2.25 Adult A La Carte: \$3.75 Snacks: \$0.50

A la carte items do not qualify under the Free and Reduced Lunch Program. Your account will be charged for these items. Prices are subject to change per USDA guidance. Should prices change, ample notice will be provided.

Lunch Account Policies Delinquent Account Policies

- Each student has PIN they should memorize.
- Lunch accounts are billed end of the each month. Families are welcomed and encouraged to pay ahead if they choose.
- Statements are emailed on the 1st of the month. Account balances can be reviewed through Parent Portal on Infinite Campus, or by contacting the school office, 375-3241. Please contact the school if you are not receiving your statement each month.
- If payment cannot be made, please contact the school to set up a payment plan. We will work with you in any way we can.
- Accounts not paid in full by May 31
 will begin collection procedures,
 starting with a letter to the
 responsible party. If there is no
 response, additional notifications will
 be sent and/or parent will be called.
 After it is judged that the usual
 methods to collect money owed the
 district have failed, then action will be
 taken to collections in small claims
 court. Unpaid balances are also
 referred to the school board in July
 each year.

Free & Reduced Meal Applications

- Applications are required to be filed for the 2025 - 2026 school year to receive free or reduced price meals.
- All applications are confidential.
- Blank applications are sent in the back to school packet each year and are also available on the school website or from the school office.
- Applications are effective as of the date they are received by the school.
 We make every effort to process applications the same day we receive them, however, all are processed within two business days.
- Approved applications extend 30 days into the following school year, or until a new application is filed, whichever is first. If you have do not file a new application within the time period, your benefits will expire and you will be charged the full price for meals.
- All families are encouraged to apply for benefits.

• Should your financial situation change during the year, you can apply for benefits at any time.

Children are automatically eligible for free meals if they:

- Are in households receiving benefits from SNAP, FDPIR, or TANF;
- Are foster children under the legal responsibility of an agency or court;
- Are homeless, runway, or migrant.

Wellness Policy

The Harding County School District will provide all students with a strong foundation of knowledge, fitness, nutrition and healthy choices in a challenging and changing world. The District will provide an environment that promotes, protects and preserves health. Effective health education is a shared responsibility that begins in the home and reinforced in the community by its citizens, health agencies and schools. Hardcopies of the District Wellness Policy are located in each school attendance center and the Central Office. There is also a link to the District Wellness Policy on the School District's webpage. Direct any questions concerning the District Wellness Policy to the Superintendent's

office.