

Dear Parents & Guardians

The Holmdel Township School District and Chartwells School Dining Services is proud to serve your child. Enclosed in this letter is some useful information about the services we offer.

The Holmdel School District utilizes a computerized POS (point of sale/debit) system. The system benefits you, your child, and the district in the following ways:

- Eliminates the need for students to carry cash on a daily basis
- Increases the speed of the serving lines (once the staff and students complete the learning phase), and gives students more time to eat and enjoy their lunch break
- Confidential and Secure

Each student will have a PIN (personal identification number) assigned to him or her. When a student enters his or her PIN into the pin pad at the lunch line, their student information, including their picture, appears on the screen for the cashier to view. (Pictures will be downloaded from the school's picture database). The picture will prevent another student from using your child's account. The cost of the food purchase will automatically be deducted from the account without the need of cash. All students will have an established debit account, although you are not required to make advanced payments, the system can accept cash payments on a daily basis, we recommend that advanced payments be made to your child's account. There is no limit to the amount of money that can be deposited into your child's account. Payment may be made in the form of cash, check (made payable to Holmdel BOE) or online at www.mypaymentsplus.com. Negative account balance notifications will be sent via email on a weekly basis. Any remaining account balances at the end of the school year will automatically roll over to the next school year.

In addition, parents may request dietary and/or limited purchase restrictions that can be entered into the system, which will be displayed when the student's PIN is entered. If you would like to add, update or remove any restrictions please email us at clanzner@holmdelschools.org or lwolsch@holmdelschools.org. All restrictions will be monitored by the food service staff at the point of service for compliance. Any restrictions that have been applied to your child's account will not automatically be removed at the end of the year.

More information can be found on the School District's website under the Food Service tab. There you will find links to all the lunch menus with nutrition information via NutriSlice, price lists and My Payments Plus. Free/Reduced lunch applications, Meal Charge Policy and Birthday Celebration information is also posted on the website. Please check the site regularly for updated information.

Looking forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

Holmdel Board of Education and Chartwells School Dining Services