

DEER PARK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

With the current national attention being focused on children's health and wellness issues, Deer Park School District's Food Services Department is excited to provide parents with a convenient, easy, and secure online prepayment service to deposit funds into your child's school meal account at any time. This service also provides parents the ability to view your child's account balance through a website, *My Nutrikids*. By having funds in each child's account prior to entering the cafeteria, we find the lunch lines move along much faster so that children have more time to eat.

Additionally, parents will also have the ability to print out a copy of your child's purchase history. This history will show you all of the dates and times that your child has purchased breakfast and/or lunch within the past thirty days.

To access these services, please follow the directions below:

1. From the Deer Park School District Website, *click* on the *School Lunch* tab, and then the *My Nutrikids* link.
2. From this secure website, you will need to create an account and add funds to your child's school meal account. All you need is your child's name, student ID number, a valid e-mail account, and school zip code (11729). The step-by-step instructions listed on the website will guide you through the easy online account setup process.

Items to consider:

1. If you have more than one child in the district, you can handle all online prepayments from the same online account.
2. Payments may be made through an existing PayPal account or with a debit or credit card.
3. In order to use the online prepayment service, a small convenience fee for each transaction will be assessed to cover any financial institution fees. The convenience fee is \$1.75 per deposit transaction. Parents depositing funds into multiple meal accounts will only be assessed the \$1.75 fee once per deposit transaction. Note, that Deer Park School District does not profit from the use of this website.
4. Depending on your financial institution or credit card carrier, funds may generally take one-to-two business days to clear.

We are very excited to offer these new services, in direct alignment with the district's *School Health* initiative and are confident that this new system will benefit you, your child, and the entire district. If you choose not to take advantage of the online prepayment system, you may continue to make advance payments via check, which should be made payable to the Deer Park School District. Please write your child's full name on the check.

If you have any questions about these new services, please contact Barbara Stabile, our Food Services Manager at 631-274-4144.

Sincerely Yours,

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