

Emery County School District



Policy EFD— School Meal Payments

Date Adopted:

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Definitions—

1. “National School Lunch Program” means the same as that term is defined in [7 CFR § 210.2](#).
2. “School Breakfast Program” means the same as that term is defined in [7 CFR § 220.2](#).
3. A “school meal” under this policy is food provided by the school under the National School Lunch Program or the School Breakfast Program.

[Utah Code § 53F-2-423\(1\)\(c\) \(2025\)](#)

[Utah Code § 53G-9-205.1 \(2021\)](#)

Payments and Debt for School Meals—

No student who is unable to pay for a school meal (or who receives a school meal at a reduced cost) shall be publicly identified or stigmatized by any District employee or volunteer.

No student may be required to perform chores to pay for a school meal unless such requirement applies to all students (i.e., the requirement applies whether or not any payment in money is made for the school meal).

Communications regarding a student’s debt for school meals shall be directed only to the student’s parent (and not to the student).

[Utah Code § 53F-2-423\(4\), \(5\) \(2025\)](#)

Federal guidelines prohibit the Food and Nutrition operation from writing off bad debts as a result of charged meals. Every effort will be made to collect for unpaid meals.