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## MEMO

**Date:** July 14, 2016

**To:** School Board

**From:** Rochel Manders, Director of Business Services

**Re:** 2016-17 Mandatory School Lunch Price Increase

Section 205 of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 requires school food authorities (SFA's) participating in the National School Lunch Program to provide the same level of local support for lunches served to students who are not eligible for free or reduced price lunches (i.e., paid lunches) as they are for lunches served to students eligible for free lunches. This requirement is called Paid Lunch Equity.

Current district lunch prices are \$2.40 for elementary students and \$2.70 for secondary students which carry a weighted average lunch price of \$2.57. According to USDA guidelines our weighted average price should be \$2.67. The guidelines require us to raise our prices, but also states that districts are not required to raise prices by more than \$.10 per meal in any one given year. The 2016-17 food service budget included this \$.10 per meal increase that was adopted by the board at the June 23<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

School breakfast prices will remain the same at \$1.30 for elementary students and \$1.40 for secondary students. Milk will also remain the same at \$.50 per carton.

Thank you.