

## GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING:August 9, 2011TITLE:Approval of EZSchoolPay.com

## BACKGROUND:

EZSchoolPay.com is an online service to help parents manage their child's school meal account. In addition to checking their child's school meal balance online, parents may use their Visa, MasterCard, or Discover card to enter a payment to their child's school meal account. Cost to parents is \$1.50 per transaction; however parents can still pay by cash or check.

Online payments are automatically received into the school's meal accounting system within minutes.

Parents may also use the web site to view recent meal transaction history for their child and to set up email alerts to indicate that their student's meal account balance is low.

Once approved, this service will be available at <u>http://www.EZSchoolPay.com</u>. Parents will be instructed to create an account and link their children to the account before entering a credit.

In addition to helping Food Service take advantage of the latest technology, the service is a great convenience to parents. No longer will they wonder if the check they wrote for meals actually made it to school. Children will be assured that meals will continue uninterrupted. Schools will appreciate that meal lines will move quickly and that fewer children will owe money on their meal account.

The Amphitheater School District child nutrition department strives to provide a balanced nutritional program for all children, meet USDA requirements, and to provide support and options for the parents.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Administration recommends the Governing Board approve implementing EZSchoolPay.com services to be used for meal payment within the Amphitheater School District Food Service Department.

**INITIATED BY:** 

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