

---

**PROPOSED 2013-2014 SCHOOL MEAL PRICES**

**POLICY ISSUE/SITUATION**

Per School Board policy EF/EFA, NS is required to be self-supporting, with no local tax revenue subsidizing the program. The policy also specifies that staff shall “report to the Board any financial condition changes/forecasts in the food services program” that necessitates a change in meal prices.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the School Breakfast Program (SBP) are federal entitlement programs authorized by Congress and funded mainly through USDA meal reimbursements (63%) and meal payments from students (23%).

The District’s Nutrition Services (NS) department operates these programs on behalf of the district and under contract with the Oregon Department of Education Child Nutrition Program and USDA.

Each July 1st, USDA issues updated meal reimbursement rates for the new fiscal year. Depending on the individual school district’s program, these meal reimbursement increases may or may not cover actual costs to operate the program. When actual costs increase beyond what increases in meal reimbursements can support, increasing meal prices is the only revenue generating avenue for NS to seek to cover the gap.

On the enclosed chart comparing the revenue NS receives for free ES lunches vs. paid ES lunches, you may notice that even with the proposed \$0.10 meal price increase, NS will still earn \$.05 less for every paid meal than it does for every free meal it serves.

Included as informational items are the following spreadsheets:

- Projected expense increases vs. projected revenue increases for 2013-14
- A comparison of revenue for free ES lunches vs. paid ES lunches
- A meal price comparison for selected school districts in Oregon

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**(13-316)** BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Board authorizes the Superintendent to increase lunch prices for elementary students by \$0.10 for 2013-14.

## School Districts Meal Price Comparison

		2010-11	2011-2012	2012-13	2013-14					
		Breakfast				Lunch				
School District	% F&R	Milk Prices	Elementary	Middle	High	Adult	Elementary	Middle	High	Adult
Portland 2010-11	44.0%	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.25	1.75	2.20	2.45	2.70	3.60
Portland 2011-12	45.0%	0.50	1.10	1.10	1.35	1.85	2.30	2.55	2.80	3.70
Portland 2012-13	42.2%	0.50	1.10	1.10	1.35	1.85	2.50	2.75	3.00	4.00
Portland 2013-14		0.50	1.25	1.25	1.25	2.00	2.60	2.85	3.10	4.10
Per Cent Change	-6%	0%	10%	10%	8%	6%	5%	4%	4%	3%
Salem-Keizer 2010-11	52.0%	0.40	0.90	1.05	1.05	1.50	1.75	2.20	2.20	3.00
Salem-Keizer 2011-12	56.2%	0.40	0.90	1.05	1.05	1.50	1.85	2.30	2.30	?
Salem-Keizer 2012-13	58.5%	0.40	1.00	1.10	1.10	2.00	1.95	2.40	2.40	3.50
Salem-Keizer 2013-14		0.40	1.00	1.10	1.10	2.00	2.00	2.50	2.50	3.50
Per Cent Change	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	4%	4%	0%
Hillsboro 2010-11	43.2%	0.50	1.25	1.50	1.50	2.00	2.00	2.50	2.50	3.00*
Hillsboro 2011-12	45.0%	0.50	1.25	1.50	1.50	2.00	2.00	2.50	2.50	3.00*
Hillsboro 2012-13	44.5%	0.50	1.25	1.50	1.50	2.00	2.15	2.65	2.65	3.00
Hillsboro 2013-14		0.50	1.50	1.75	1.75	2.00	2.30	2.80	2.80	3.25
Per Cent Change	-1%	0%	20%	17%	17%	0%	7%	6%	6%	8%
Tigard 2010-11	34.7%	0.55	1.55	1.80	1.80	N/A	2.50	2.90	3.05	4.35
Tigard 2011-12	37.9%	0.55	1.55	1.75	1.80	2.30	2.55	3.00	3.15	4.45
Tigard 2012-13	38.7%	0.55	1.55	1.75	1.80	2.25	2.70	3.15	3.30	4.45
Tigard 2013-14		0.55	1.55	1.75	1.80	2.25	2.70	3.15	3.30	4.45
Per Cent Change	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Beaverton 2010-11	36.7%	0.50	1.00	1.05	1.15	1.80	2.40	2.80	3.25	4.40
Beaverton 2011-12	40.1%	0.50	1.25	1.30	1.40	2.00	2.50	2.90	3.35	4.45
Beaverton 2012-13	36.2%	0.50	1.25	1.30	1.40	2.00	2.50	2.90	3.35	4.45
Beaverton 2013-14 (Proposed)		0.50	1.25	1.30	1.40	2.00	2.60	2.90	3.35	4.45
Per Cent Change	-10%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%