

Three Rivers SD 2020-21 Paid Lunch Equity Comparison

The USDA national School Lunch Program (NSLP) requires that the price of Paid lunches increase similarly to reimbursement rate for Free meals. Evaluating our prices is a component of the annual renewal of our agreement with ODE for operating the NSLP.

Current weight average paid lunch price (SY 19-20): \$2.91
 Required weighted average increase (SY 20-21): \$0.03 + .03 (carry over)
 Increase rounded to the closest \$0.05*: \$0.05

	Current	Option A	Option B	Option C
Elementary	\$2.40	\$2.40	\$2.45	\$2.45
Middle+	\$2.70	\$2.70	\$2.70	\$2.70
High	\$3.00	\$3.10	\$3.10	\$3.05
Weight increase	-	\$0.09	\$0.09	\$0.05
Revenue change	-	\$1,023.80	\$1,122.40	\$596.00

- OPTION A raises the price for high school paid students only, covers the SY 20-21 required increase.
- OPTION B raises the price for both elementary and high school paid students, covers the SY 20-21 required increase.
- OPTION C raises the price for all paid students and reaches the anticipated increase to cover through SY 20-21.

Food Services recommends Option C as a more equitable way to share the burden of the increase while minimizing the financial impact to families. The resulting change in revenue to the district is negligible compared to total reimbursement, as is the difference between options.

We expect a price increase for SY 21-22 unless Option C is chosen for SY 20-21.

This processes does not impact our no charge Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) schools.

*USDA allows lowering the increase to round the resulting weight average to the nearest nickel.

+In SY 20-21, only North Valley, Hidden Valley, and Applegate will have Paid students. In past years, all students at Applegate have paid the same price for lunch regardless of grade level. So, changing the Middle School rate would not impact revenue or families.