Splendora ISD Administrative Procedures for Food Service

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The purpose of the Child Nutrition Programs is to safeguard the health and well being of the children of Splendora ISD by providing nutritional meals each school day. This ensures that all children gain a full understanding of the relationship between proper eating habits and good health.

Good health is directly linked to learning ability, and it is critical to ensure tomorrow's adults develop healthy bodies and healthy minds through good nutrition.

Any act that might affect the health of the body or mind of any child at Splendora ISD will not be tolerated. With this purpose in mind, a "No Charge Policy" will be implemented for both students and staff for the 2011-12 school year. In order to insure students receive a nutritional meal, Child Nutrition has established a charge limit of \$10.00. Students exceeding the charge limit will be identified by the campus cafeteria manager and provided with a reimbursable meal that meets the guideline of Texas Department of Agriculture.

Every effort will be made to ensure the solvency of the Child Nutrition Department by the following procedure:

- 1. After the second consecutive lunch is not paid, the Child Nutrition Department will notify the parent of the situation.
- 2. If after one week the lunches are not paid, the Child Nutrition Department will notify the campus principal of the situation.
- 3. The principal will request a conference at which time a determination of economic standing will be made.
- 4. The parent will be encouraged to complete a Free or Reduced Application which in turn helps the district pay for computers and tutors for all children on the campus.
- 5. If the parent refuses to comply, the principal, after further investigation may determine the critical need to place the family on free or reduced status.
- 6. Every effort will be made to ensure that all students receive proper nutrition including local police effort and county and state agencies.
- 7. Legal action may be taken for non-payment of charges.

Student's test scores, concentration and energy levels can all be enhanced through proper nourishment, and Splendora ISD expects every child to be encouraged to reach his/her full potential by providing this nourishment.