

Harleton Independent School District Jay Ratcliff
Superintendent

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# To Harleton ISD Board Members,

The Cafeteria does an annual mandatory Adult Meal Calculation Worksheet. We usually get all the information by July from the USDA, but this year it was finally released August 6, 2025 to the Region 8 to use last year's rate.

The minimum charge for Adult Lunch this year will be \$5.07 instead of \$4.90 (last SY prices) and Adult Breakfast will be \$3.39 instead of \$3.29 (last SY Prices). We are sending a copy of '25-26 worksheet that we used to come up with the automated prices.

Thank you

Connie Burrell

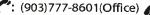
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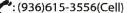
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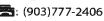
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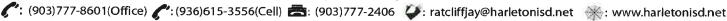
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#### **Adult Meal Calculator Worksheet**

This worsheet provides the information needed to calucate adult meal prices using both approved methods. Choose the method of calculation (see the *Administrator's Reference Manual (ARM), Section 19, Meal Pricing* for additional information on which method to use). If the rate applies, record the rate in the *Amount CE Recieves* cell. If using Method 1, record the local student paid charge in the designated *Local Stuent Paid Charge* cell. If using Excel, this worksheet will automatically calculate the amounts in the *Minimum Adult Charge* and *Total Federal Funds* cells. All amounts are carried to 4 digits and must be rounded up when determining the adult meal price. Non-pricing programs must always use Method 2. TDA posts the current reimbursement rates at *SquareMeals.org*.

Use the applicable rates for the school year when the adult meal prices will apply.

Method 1 Lunch	Sag.		
Federal Funds/Reimbursement Rate		Amount CE Receives	
Paid Reimbursement Rate			
Performance-Based Rate			
Severe Need Lunch Rate		E	
USDA Foods Rate			
Total Federal Funds Received	\$		
Highest Local Student Price Charged			
Minimum Adult Charge	\$	10-	
Method 2 Lunch			
Federal Funds/Reimbursement Rate	Amount CE Receives		
Free Reimbursement Rate	\$	4.60	
Performance-Based Rate			
Severe Need Lunch Rate	\$	0.02	
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Method 1 Breakfast		
Federal Funds/Reimbursement Rate	Amount CE Receives	
Paid Reimbursement Rate		
Severe Need Breakfast Rate		
USDA Foods Rate (Add if USDA Foods are used at breakfast)		
Total Federal Funds Received	\$	
Highest Local Student Price Charged		
Minimum Adult Breakfast Charge	\$	
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# **National School Lunch Program Reimbursement**

These rates are effective from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

#### Lunch

- Paid \$0.44
- Reduced \$4.20
- Free \$4.60

### Lunch - Severe Need

Contracting entities serving at least 60 percent free and reduced-price lunches under NSLP for at least the first three months of school year 2023-2024 will receive a 2-cent supplemental lunch reimbursement. In addition, contracting entities certified to receive the performance-based cash assistance will receive an additional 9 cents added to the lunch reimbursement. These additional reimbursements will be applied and paid automatically to eligible contracting entities through the Texas Unified Nutrition Programs System (TX-UNPS).

#### After School Care Program

- Paid \$0.11
- Reduced \$0.63
- Free \$1.26

#### **Breakfast**

- Paid \$0.40
- Reduced \$2.16
- Free \$2.46.

#### **Breakfast - Severe Need**

Individual schools may qualify for Severe Need Breakfast reimbursement to supplement the regular free and reduced-price breakfast reimbursements. Within a CE, some sites may be eligible for severe need funding and others may not. For a site to be eligible in SY 2025-2026, at least 40 percent of its total lunches served in

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school year 2023-2024 must have been free or reduced (minimum three months operation). There are instances where a new school may qualify for Severe Need Breakfast reimbursement. For additional information, email Food and Nutrition at squaremeals@texasagriculture.gov or call toll-free at (877) TEX-MEAL. Reimbursement rates including severe need are as follows:

- Reduced \$2.64 (\$0.48 severe need reimbursement included)
- Free \$2.94 (\$0.48 severe need reimbursement included)

#### **USDA Foods Published Rate Of Assistance**

The 2025-2026 Rates of Assistance have not yet been released by USDA. Check here for the rates once they are published.

#### **Historical Rates of Reimbursement**

Go to USDA FNS Rates of Reimbursement to see reimbursement rates for past years.

# NSLP Reimbursements Claim Due Dates

## Claim Month **Submission Due Date** April 1st January (Leap Year: Mar. 31st) April 29th **February** March May 30th June 29th April July 30th May August 29th June September 29th July **August** October 30th September November 29th October December 30th November January 29th March 1st December (Leap Year: Feb. 29th)