

Currituck School Nutrition 2025-26 School Year Request



2024-25 School Year at a Glance

- How did we do . . .
 - We served 148,148 breakfasts
 - We served 274,307 lunches
 - District Free/Reduced percentage as of May 2025 was 36.3%
 - We received 672 Family Meal Applications with a 59% approval rate
 - We had 1196 students Directly Certified
- Areas of revenue . . .
 - Breakfast = \$351,030
 - Lunch = \$1,118,908
 - A La Carte = \$190,201
 - Catered = \$7,080
 - Donations = \$3450 which impacted 327 student balances!

Bid Approvals

In your packet presented today you will find our Northeastern North Carolina Procurement Bid Letter along with a Memo summarizing our large bids for your review and approval.

The original documents showing line by line items are available upon request for your review.

Procurement Plan Update

Due to the highly restrictive nature of School Nutrition funding, a Procurement Plan implements a clear and strategic plan that governs departmental spending. This plan ensures compliance and helps us secure the most competitive pricing available.

I am presenting an updated Procurement Plan for your review and approval. Below are the key updates:

- Updated Signatory Requirements
- Award Structure Adjustments from "line item" to "bottom line"
- Small Purchase Threshold to align with Board Policy amounts
- Federal Micro-purchase Threshold Increase from \$3,500 to \$10,000, reflecting updated federal guidelines

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Why Do We need to Increase Meal Prices . . .

An increase in meal prices is necessary to:

- Maintain fiscal responsibility
- Keep pace with rising food and operational costs
- Account for State mandated labor increases with no additional funding to support the increase

Our Current 2024-2025 Meal Rates?

- **Full-Paid Lunch Rates**
 - Elementary: **\$3.00**
 - Secondary: **\$3.25**
- **Full-Paid Breakfast Rate (District-Wide):**
 - **\$1.50**

Recommendation to the BOE for Action

The School Nutrition Department would like to request that the Board of Education approve a price increase of **\$1.00** for the paid lunch pricing and **\$0.50** for paid breakfast pricing for the **SY 2025-26**.

Paid Lunch Pricing request for **2025-26 SY:**

Elementary: **\$4.00**

Middle / High: **\$4.25**

Paid Breakfast Pricing District-wide: **\$2.00**