

**COVINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM**

MEAL CHARGE POLICY

Covington County Schools Meal Charge Policy will be in effect for the school year which begins in August and ends in May. Each school may choose to “No Charge” or “Charge” daily school meals. If the school chooses to allow students or adults to “Charge” meals that school must have all charges cleared to a zero balance by the last day of each calendar month during the school year. The limit for “Charge” meals should not exceed \$5.00 before payment is made. Principals will be held responsible for the payment of unpaid meal charges on the last day of each month. Cafeteria Managers will send letters home daily to parents/students with school meal charges.

No child will be denied a school meal, therefore, an alternate meal may be offered to students with unpaid meal charges. All K-3 students or handicapped students will be offered a meal. Alternate meals served will accommodate students with food allergies and meet USDA guidelines.

The Child Nutrition Program has established an online payment program that enables parents to track meals, balances and make payments. The website for this program is www.myschoolbucks.com.