

ALPINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Michelle Rinehart, Superintendent

"Alpine ISD will provide our children with learning experiences to be responsible, productive, and successful citizens of an ever changing world."

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Alpine ISD Meal Charge Policy as of September 1, 2020

We strongly discourage meal charges, but we understand that an occasional emergency makes it necessary.

The district's policy is as follows:

Total of meals charged is not to exceed \$15.00.

After a student's negative balance has reached the maximum limit, an alternative meal will be offered to the student. Alternative meals will consist of a Grilled Cheese Sandwich and the fruit, vegetable, and milk choices for that day. Students with negative balances will not be allowed to purchase all a carte items until their balances are paid in full. All balances need to be paid in full by the end of the school year.

The Meal Charge Policy and how to make payments to Alpine ISD Cafeterias will be sent home with all students. On Monday evening, an automated system will notify parents of negative student account balances greater than \$ 15.00, and once a week paper negative and low account balance student reminders will be sent home. Once a student has received the second alternative meal, the parents will receive a courtesy call from a cafeteria staff member and a free and reduced lunch application will be sent home.

Delinquent meal charges (unpaid meal charges): All reasonable efforts will be made to collect delinquent meal charges. Alpine ISD will work with families if needed to establish long-term repayment plans if there are financial problems, please contact the Child Nutrition Director 432-837-7710 ext. 406

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1. mail

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. fax:

(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or 3. email: program.intake@usda.g