

July 1, 2009

Dear Parents,

Welcome Back! I hope everybody had a enjoyable summer.

We are happy that School Food And Nutrition Services of New Orleans is able to offer you on line access to your child's lunch account by using SCHOOLFILES.COM. All parents are required to log on to SchoolFiles and set up a Parent Profile (if you have not done so previously). Using this safe, secure system will help us and you better manage your child's lunch account. It will also allow you to receive balance notifications in a timely manner. **No paper notices will be sent home.** You will authorize SchoolFiles to notify you when your child's lunch balance dips below a dollar amount of your choosing. Returning students will have the same student and ID numbers as last year. There will be School Food Service Personnel at Confirmation of Registration to help anyone who hasn't signed up for SchoolFiles or who is having problems with the web site. If you are new to St. Catherine, you will be able to get your student's ID number at Confirmation of Registration.

Archdiocese School Food Service requires all students and teachers to have adequate funds in their individual accounts in order to eat lunch. It has always been the policy of School Food Service to require all meals and extras to be paid for in advance. This policy will be strictly enforced, no exceptions! **ANY STUDENT WITHOUT SUFFICIENT FUNDS WILL NOT BE SERVED LUNCH!** It is recommended that you pay for the entire year or to pay for half of the school year up front.

We are pleased to inform you that the price of lunch remains the same as last year. If your child is allowed to purchase extras (juice, water, push ups, String cheese, or extra lunch items) these amounts will be taken out the account and reduce the amount available for purchasing meals. If you do not want your child to purchase extras, check the line on the lunch payment form you will receive at Confirmation of Registration. Your child will be flagged "no extras" and the computer will not allow him/her to purchase anything except lunch.

You may deposit funds into your child's account using SchoolFiles (having your credit card or checking account debited) or by sending a check made out to SCS in an envelope to the cafeteria labeled with your child's name and ID number.

I will be accepting payments at Confirmation of Registration. Additionally, I will be in the Cafeteria August 4 and 5 from 8:00 to 1:00. I'll be happy to accept any payments on those days. You may also make on line payments starting July 1. Thank you for giving me the pleasure of serving your children again this year. I can be reached in the cafeteria from 7:00-10:45 and 1:00-2:00 @ 833-7604 or email me at **stcatherine@schoolcafe.org**.

Sincerely,

Cindy Benfatti