

# Computerized Point of Sale System

McLean County Unit 5 uses a computerized point of sale system for Parkside & Chiddix Junior High Schools. In the fall of 2006 we are planning to add Kingsley Junior High, NCHS, and NCWHS. The Skyward Food Service System offers many benefits to families.

## Benefits to Parents & Students

- Student's lunch status is confidential
- No lost or stolen lunch tickets
- Faster lunch lines so more time to eat
- Parents may check their student's account balance online using *Family Access*.

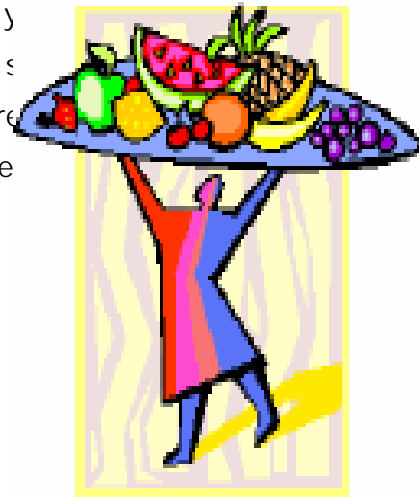
## IDENTIFYING STUDENTS

To identify students in the lunch line at the junior high schools, each student enters a

five-digit personal identification number (PIN) at the end of the serving line. **Please remind your child not to share their pin number.** Students keep the same pin number every year.

## REMAINING ACCOUNT BALANCE

We will continue to add the computerized food service system to other Unit 5 schools during the 2006-2007 school year. Please use Skyward Family Access to view your child's account transactions. If you do not have a Family Access account, please check with the school office. Money left in the food service account at the end of the school year will be rolled over to the family account for the next school year. If you have a remaining balance, please call the Food Service Office regarding your remaining balance.



We hope the new system will provide better service and be more convenient for you and your family. If you have any questions, please call the Food Service Office at 862-5063-Patricia Powers, Food Service Director.

## McLean County Unit District 5



## Food Service Department

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Our mission is to provide nourishing meals to students at an affordable price.

We look forward to serving you!

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## Food Service Department

1999 Eagle Road  
Normal, IL. 61761  
Phone (309) 862-5063

### FOOD SERVICE ACCOUNT

Each family will have a food service account. As other schools in the district begin using the Skyward Food Service System, all family members' purchases will be deducted from the same account. Deposits are made to one family account and the price of each child's lunch is subtracted from that account. Parents may check their children's purchases

and deposits through Family Access on the Unit 5 web page ([unit5.org](http://unit5.org))

### DEPOSIT LUNCH MONEY

To deposit money into your child's account, please mark envelopes with;

- the student's legal name
- the head of household's name
- the amount of the deposit

Please send cash or a check in the sealed envelope. ***We will not accept cash in the lunch line.***

Parents may send checks for one week, one month, or any amount they choose.

Envelopes are available in the cafeteria. A drop box is located on the cafeteria serving room door.

Again, please mark envelopes with student's and guardian's full names to be sure deposit is made to the correct account.

Checks should be made payable to McLean County Unit 5 Schools. The cost for lunch at the junior high schools this year is *\$1.60 per day, \$8.00 per week or \$32.00 per four weeks.*

*Envelopes deposited to the drop box by 9:30 a.m. will be in your child's account before lunch that same day. If students have a negative balance in their account, they will be served an alternate lunch (such as peanut butter, crackers, milk, fruit/vegetable).*

### REDUCED LUNCH STATUS

If your child has been approved for reduced meals, *the cost for lunch is \$2.00 per week, \$8.00 for four weeks, or \$20.00 for ten weeks.* The steps for payment are the same as described above.

### FREE LUNCH STATUS

Students approved for free meals do not need to deposit money for lunch. If your child

wishes to purchase ala carte items, such as an extra entree, cookie, or bottled juice, you will need to deposit money for those items. The steps for payment are the same as described above.

### ALA CARTE PURCHASES

In addition to the lunch choices at junior high, students have the option of purchasing ala carte items each day. Some of our most popular choices are:

- the lunch entree-\$1.25
- bottled juice-\$.85
- bottled water-\$.70
- milk (8 oz) or juice (4 oz)-\$.35
- cookie-\$.40
- breadsticks/w pizza sauce-\$.75

Please talk to your child(ren) to determine the amount of money needed in their account to cover these costs. If you prefer that your child be allowed to purchase only lunch and no ala

carte items, please call the Food Service Office at 862-5063.

