



Elk County Catholic School System

August 2025



Pre-school, Kindergarten, and Elementary School Lunch Information:

- The reimbursable meal consists of 5 components; protein, grain, vegetable, fruit and milk. The student must take at least 3 of the 5 components and one of those must be a fruit or vegetable.
- Students can choose between A and B meals, as they are considered part of a reimbursable meal.
- Only if a student has a documented medical excuse can items be eliminated, such as milk or cheese for lactose intolerance. The school must have that documentation on-file at school in order to make an exemption.
- Students that order an extra meal or, carry lunch and purchase milk, will be charged extra for those items.
- Please review the menu and help your child choose their meal before school that day.



Middle/High School Lunch Information:

- The reimbursable meal consists of 5 components; protein, grain, vegetable, fruit and milk. The student must take at least 3 of the 5 components and one of those must be a fruit or vegetable.
- **If the student does not take 3 of the 5 components, the student will pay ala carte prices for the components that they do take.**
- Items on our "self-serve" line can make up a reimbursable meal, for example: slice of pizza (protein and grain), salad (vegetable), apple (fruit) and milk. By not taking one item (like milk) the meal is not considered a reimbursable meal and will be charged ala carte prices.
- Anything extra - such as chips, extra milk, or an extra entree must still be purchased.
- Students that carry lunch and purchase limited items, like milk, will be charged extra for those items.
- Only if a student has a documented medical excuse can items be eliminated, such as milk or cheese for lactose intolerance. The school must have that documentation on-file at school in order to make an exemption.



If your child(ren) plans on purchasing an extra meal or other items, please make sure that they have sufficient funds in their lunch account, in addition to the cost of regular lunch, PRIOR to the purchase. You may pay by check to ECCSS Café, or use the online payment

option; www.schoolcafe.com/ELKCOUNTYCATHOLICSCHOOLSYSTEM

If paying by check, please enclose the check in a sealed envelope with your child's full name and indicate that it is a Lunch Payment. Family payments may be combined on one check, please indicate the distribution amounts.

★ **PLEASE NOTE:** Any student with a negative balance is NOT permitted to charge extras!

★ Check out www.eccss.org/cafeteria for our monthly menus!

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at Elk County Catholic School System.

Paula Singer – Elementary School Kitchen Manager

Patty Gabor – Middle/High School Kitchen Manager

Go Crusaders!

Here we come, 2025!

Kim Schlimm, Director of Food Services, (814) 834-7800, schlimmk@eccss.org

Lunch Prices 2025/2026

Middle/High School Reimbursable Meal - \$3.55

Elementary Reimbursable Meal - \$3.05

Extra Entrée MS/HS- \$2.05

Extra Entrée ES- \$1.55

Milk (extra or single) - \$.80

Smart Snack prices can be found on our webpage: www.eccss.org/cafeteria

How to apply for Free or Reduced lunches:

There are three options to apply – **choose the one** that works best for you!

1. Apply online at <https://www.schoolcafe.com/ELKCOUNTYCATHOLICSCHOOLSYSTEM>. Fast and easy! You do not need to use this app for online payments to apply for benefits.
2. Apply online at www.compass.dhs.pa.gov. This option works well if you already have an account with COMPASS. Remember – if you have already received the *Direct Certification Letter* – you do not need to apply!
3. Fill out the paper application that is included with your packet. Instructions are included.