

Policy for Outstanding Meal Balances

Leonardo da Vinci Health Sciences Charter School (LdVCS) offers balanced school meals for students. LdVCS participates in the National School Lunch Program, which provides free and reduced-price meals for qualified students. Students who do not apply and qualify for free meals are expected to prepay for meals in advance at the school office or online (a service fee applies for online payments).

In order to prevent funds from being diverted to pay for student meals and maintain funds for LdVCS's instructional program, LdVCS has set up the following structure to ensure that student meal balances are paid.

1. Parents/Guardians have 24-hour access to their child(ren)'s meal balance and transactions via the online PowerSchool parent portal.
2. Parents/Guardians will be notified when their child(ren)'s balance falls below zero and that if their balance reaches or exceeds -\$30.00, their child will receive fruit and milk for their meals until the negative balance is paid.
3. When a child's meal balance reaches or exceeds -\$30.00, the school will provide the child with fruit and milk for meals.
4. When the child's meal balance becomes positive, the child will resume receiving the school meals.
5. LdVCS may undertake procedures to withhold the student's grades, report card, and promotion certificate from the student until the outstanding balance is paid.
6. Should the negative balance persist for more than 60 days or should the student with a negative balance withdraw from LdVCS, LdVCS may submit the balance due to a collections agency.

Parents/Guardians should contact the office with questions regarding their child(ren)'s meal balance.

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