

Lunch Price for FY26

Our target lunch price is: FY26 target price has not been released yet, FY25 target price was \$3.85

FY25 lunch price \$3.25

The minimum ISBE required increase is \$0.10.

Our options are to:

- 1.) Increase the lunch price to \$3.35, this is the minimum we can increase, or
- 2.) Increase the price to get us closer to or at the USDA target price, or
- 3.) Take the exemption and stay at \$3.25.

If we choose to price less than the target price the district will be using fund balance to cover the difference. There is still a chance that based on the cost increases the price that is decided on could result in a deficit. Revenues less expenses could still net a loss and the fund balance needs to cover that loss. We also need to consider our families when setting the price.

Once a student price is decided we will also have to determine and approve the adult pricing. It will need to be a minimum of \$0.50 more than the student pricing.

My recommendation would be to set the student price to a minimum of \$3.50 and adjust the adult price accordingly. This will lessen the impact on the families. In the future, we will need to continuously increase to try to get as close to the target price as possible each year.

Milk should remain at \$ 0.50.

Reimbursement rates will be reduced for FY26. These rates have not been released as of yet.

SY 24/25 target price was \$3.85

SY 23/24 target price was \$3.55

SY 22/23 target price was \$3.31 (\$3.30)