

## Free and Reduced Meals

A new application must be submitted every school year. We accept applications beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications can be submitted anytime during the school year, however, please be aware that applications are not retroactive and are effective the day of submission. Parents are responsible for the cost of all meals prior to the approval of free or reduced cost meals. Only one application is needed per household. Apply for free or reduced cost meals [here](#).

## Managing Your Child's Meal Account

Accounts are **PRE PAID** meal accounts. Parents are responsible of making sure their child has funds available for the purchase of meals. As a courtesy GSD allows accounts to fall in the negative \$22.00. Accounts in the negative are subject to closure.

Titan Family Portal is now **LINQ Connect**. Register [here](#) to manage your child's account. Once registered parents are able to add funds and view balances.

For quick access download the mobile app on your phone.

## Adding Funds to Your Child's Meal Account

**Card-** Cards can only be used through your account with LINQ Connect. You must be registered with LINQ Connect. To register or access your account visit [LINQ Connect](#).

**Cash/Check** - Cash or check is still an option for those who choose not to utilize LINQ Connect. However, we do request payment be made at the building's front office and not through the serving line. Cash and check payment can also be made at the district office. Check payments can be mailed to 507 Idaho Street, Gooding, ID 83330.

## Meal Prices 2023-2024

### Breakfast

Students kindergarten - 8<sup>th</sup> grade: **FREE**

Students 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade with \*paid status: **\$2.50**

Students 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade with \*\*reduced status: **Free** for the 23-24 school year

Adults and visitors: **\$3.00**.

**Seconds** are not covered by the free and reduced lunch program and cost **\$3.00**

## **Lunch**

All students Kindergarten -12<sup>th</sup> with \*paid status: **\$3.30**.

All students Kindergarten -12<sup>th</sup> with \*\*reduced status: **FREE** for the 23-24 school year.

Adults and visitors: **\$4.75**

**Seconds** are not covered by the free and reduced lunch program and cost **\$4.75**

**Preschool** students receive **FREE** breakfast and lunch.

**GALC** students receive **FREE** breakfast and lunch.

\*paid status= students whose household has completed a free or reduced meal application and student is *not eligible* for free or reduced cost meals or a student whose household has *not completed* a free or reduced meal application.

\*\*reduced status= students whose household has completed a free or reduced meal application and *is eligible* for reduced cost meals

## **Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)**

Gooding Elementary School proudly participates in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program. FFVP is a federally assisted program providing free fresh fruits and vegetables to children at eligible elementary schools during the school day at no cost. The goal of the FFVP is to introduce children to fresh fruits and vegetables, to include new and different varieties, and to increase overall acceptance and consumption of fresh, unprocessed produce among children. The FFVP also encourages healthier school environments by promoting nutrition education.

## **Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)**

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) ensures that children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. All children 18 years and under, eat free at approved SFSP sites. Help us ensure that no child goes hungry this summer. Participate in the program this summer! Find our Senator StrEat food truck at the West Park, located on California Street (in front of the new playground) or at East Park, located on 3rd & Illinois (by the city pool).

All meals must be consumed on site. Please be respectful of the program rules. When children fail to eat on site this violates program regulations and hurts the program. Please ask site staff about the Traveling Apple Policy.