

September 18, 2020

Dear Oak Grove Families:

This week, Oak Grove Lutheran School learned it is eligible to participate in a program funded through the US Department of Agriculture which will provide free meals to **ALL** students eating lunch at Oak Grove. Through this program, Oak Grove Lutheran School is able to offer free meals to our students at no cost to families, retroactive to August 31 and until December 31, 2020 or until USDA funds run out.

What does this mean to Oak Grove families?

- ✓ As of today, Friday, September 18, 2020, your child will not be charged for meals provided by the Oak Grove Lutheran School lunch programs. **Only the basic meal is free; North Campus students will still be charged for ala carte items they purchase in the cafeteria.**
- ✓ There will be no changes to menus at either campus.
- ✓ If you have an account set up on the Nutrikids/My School Bucks payment system, your available fund balance will be adjusted by the cumulative amount you were charged for your child(ren)'s meals from August 31 through today.
- ✓ We will provide at least two weeks' notice prior to reinstating charges for meals in our cafeterias. As of now, we anticipate free meals for all students through the end of the calendar year. If USDA funding should run out prior to that date, we will notify you as soon as we are aware.

If you would normally submit an application for free or reduced meals and have not yet done so, or if your family income has been reduced since last year, we encourage you to complete the Application For Free and Reduced Lunch Prices available on the Oak Grove Lutheran School website. Eligibility for the Free and Reduced Lunch program is determined by the ND School Nutrition Program, and is available to assist families who may be facing financial challenges.

If you have any questions regarding this specific program, or about the lunch programs at Oak Grove in general, please contact Kelley Peterson (North Campus) at Kelley.peterson@oakgrovelutheran.com or Paulette Franklin or Jenae Jung (South Campus) at ogelemilunch@oakgrovelutheran.com.

Sincerely,
Marietta J Wahl
Chief Financial Officer