Harrisonburg City Public Schools

School Nutrition Program

Meal Hardship Fund

Good nutrition is critical to a student’s academic success. It is the policy of the Harrisonburg City School Board that school meals will never be denied, even in the instance of a high balance due on a student’s account. Students will also never be given a less appealing “alternate meal” if money is owed.

Per federal regulations, school nutrition funds may not be used to offset meal charges. To assist families with balances due on a case-by-case basis, and at the discretion of the Director of School Nutrition, the district will maintain a hardship fund that is subsidized by donations from families, businesses, organizations, and the public. The department will actively seek donations to maintain a healthy balance in this fund.

If you, your organization, or business would like to make a donation to our meal hardship fund, please send a check with “Meal Hardship Fund” in the memo to:

HCPS School Nutrition Program

1 Court Square

Harrisonburg, VA 22801

You may also donate online at:

<http://www.harrisonburgeducationfoundation.com/make-an-impact.html> and choose “Meal Hardship Fund” from the drop down menu.

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