

Our Mission:

The MVISD Child Nutrition Department exists to provide the highest quality meals for the most reasonable price so that we can meet as many nutritional needs of students as possible.

Outside Food Brought for Students

According to Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), parents may bring food to their children in the cafeteria from an outside source. However, parents may not bring food to another child or student that is not their own. To ensure our students at Mt. Vernon ISD are receiving TDA's required food components and to take precautions for food allergies we ask parents to be considerate of these guidelines.

Student Meal Payments

We encourage prepayment for school meals. For your convenience, go to the mtvernonisd.net website and click the Food Services button or the Child Nutrition website offers LUNCH MONEY NOW where you may follow the directions to set up your student's account to:

- View your student's account balance and purchases
- Receive low balance e-mails or text messages
- Make secure payments online anytime, anywhere

Students may also pay for school meals in the cafeteria during kitchen hours. Payment for meals may be made by the day, week, or month. Please do not combine meal payments with other school purchases. If meal payment is made by check, the entire amount will be deposited into the student's meal account. Make check payable to MVISD.

MVISD Grace Period Regulation

The United States Department of Agriculture requires all meals and individual food items for sale during the dining experience. Students will be informed often of how much they owe. Parents should use the above-mentioned LUNCH MONEY NOW for current account balance information.

Charge notices will be given out weekly to students or emailed to parents who have reached the three-day grace period. (Please keep email addresses updated.) A lower cost meal will be served to students who are over the charge limit. However, a student may pay cash for any food product sold in the cafeteria at any time. The cut-off date for charged meals will be May 1st of each school year. A payment plan of \$1 / day will be requested for the last month of school so that all charges will be paid before summer break begins.

Please do not put anyone at the school in the position of having to deny your child the meal of their choice - no one wants to do that. If you make sure your child has adequate funds for purchasing school meals, this can be avoided.

Employees must also follow the three- day grace period for charged meals. Prepayment is accepted. Any employee who wishes to opt in to the charge system will submit an application to draft the dining charges from their paycheck at the end of each month.

Free and Reduced Priced Meal Information

MVISD offers free and reduced meals to students whose family income meets the federal guidelines for this program. Students qualify for this program annually. To access the online application, go to

mtvernonisd.net and select the Food Services button. The app will give directions on how to fill it out. Parents whose students qualify will be notified as soon as possible.

MVISD students who qualified last school year are provided a 30 day grace period of free or reduced priced meals in order to re-submit their qualifying information for the current year. Students who may qualify but are new to MVISD do not received the same grace period and are encouraged to submit their documentation before school starts.

Additional Information

Please notify your school cafeteria manager if your child is allergic to cheese or milk so another type of food and drink can be provided.

MVISD Administration will actively pursue collection of debt owed to the district. For questions or assistance please contact Child Nutrition Services at 903-537-2546 ext. 1219.

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This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

*See Meal Pricing on the next page.

Meal and Food Product Pricing Schedule for 2017-18**Meal Pricing**

Grade K-6 Breakfast	Free
Grade K-4 Lunch	\$2.80
Grade 5-12 Lunch	\$2.90
Grade 7 - 12 Breakfast	\$1.40
Employee Meals	\$3.75
Visitor Meals	\$5.00

A 'la Carte Menu

Pizza Roll	\$2.75
Pizza Slice	\$2.75
Beef & Bean Burrito	\$2.75
Cheeseburger	\$2.75
Seasoned Fries	\$1.50
Corn Dogs	\$2.55
Mini Corn Dogs	\$2.50
Chicken Popcorn	\$2.75
Chicken Sandwich	\$2.75
Chicken Wings	\$2.75
Chips	\$1.00
Fresh Fruit	\$0.65
Ice Cream	\$1.00
Slush	\$1.00
Ice Cold Milk	\$0.65