

BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

ARGYLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



BOARD MEETING DATE:	July 13, 2026
AGENDA ITEM:	Student Nutrition Meal Prices
AGENDA LOCATION:	Action ▾
PRESENTER TITLE & NAME:	Executive Director of Operations, Tommy Ledford
DEPARTMENT:	Operations
PRIORITY FOCUS AREA:	Resource Stewardship ▾

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

For elementary campuses, we complete the Paid Lunch Equity (PLE) Tool published by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The tool determines the minimum paid lunch price for our campuses that participate in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). It is designed to ensure that revenue from “paid” students provides an equitable amount of funds to the nonprofit food service account relative to revenue from free and reduced-price meals.

For secondary campuses, USDA requires that meals not receiving federal reimbursement must be priced at least as much as the total amount of funds received from a paid NSLP meal. In addition to the lack of federal funding at our secondary campuses, we also offer larger portions and many premium items; therefore, a price increase is necessary in order to prevent a deficit in the coming school year.

BUDGETARY IMPACT & FUNDING SOURCE

Increasing meal prices ensures sufficient revenue to cover operational costs.

Elementary Campuses

- Breakfast \$2.45 (\$0.10 increase)
- Lunch \$4.15 (\$0.15 increase)

Secondary Campuses and Adult Meals

- Sixth Grade Center and Middle School
 - Breakfast \$2.70 (\$0.10 increase)
 - Lunch \$5.15 (\$0.15 increase)
- High School
 - Breakfast \$2.70 (\$ 0.10 increase)
 - Lunch \$5.15 (\$0.15 increase)
 - The Market (Made to Order Deli) \$5.30 (.05 increase)

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ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION

Administration recommends approval of the proposed meal prices for the 2026-2027 school year.

MOTION

A motion might be "I move to approve the proposed meal prices for the 2026-2027 school year as presented".