

WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Property & Finance Committee
6/15/26

Approval of 2026-27 Food Service Pricing List

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Act of 2010 requires that schools move towards charging paid lunches at a price that is on average equal to the difference between the free lunch reimbursement and the paid lunch reimbursement. The WCASD used the 2026-27 paid lunch equity tool to determine if a lunch price increase is needed. The weighted average meal price was \$3.34 and the recommended target average rate derived from the tool is \$3.50, indicating the need for an increase of \$0.16. The district is required to gradually raise lunch prices until they reach the target average rate.

The 2026-27 lunch prices for elementary and middle schools will increase \$0.10, as indicated below.

2026-27 Meal Prices			
	Elementary	Middle	High
Breakfast	1.50	1.75	2.00
Lunch	3.15	3.40	3.75

Pricing compare of surrounding School Districts are shown below:

Lunch Prices 2025-26	Elem	Mid	High
Avon Grove	2.80	2.90	3.40
Coatesville **			
Downingtown *	2.50	2.80	3.65
Great Valley	3.35	3.60	3.85
Kennett	3.00	3.25	3.25
Octorara **			
Owen J Roberts	3.15	3.50	3.70
Oxford	3.75	3.75	3.75
Phoenixville	2.70	2.95	3.10
Tredyffrin-Easttown *	4.25	4.50	4.75
Unionville/Chadds Ford *	3.35	3.60	
County Average	3.21	3.43	3.68
West Chester 2026-27 Proposed Prices	3.15	3.40	3.75

* High Schools Off the NSLP

** Community Eligibility Program

Over the course of the past few years, the food service department has experienced supply shortages as well as increased costs for food items and shipping. As a result of these increased costs, some a la carte items need to be adjusted. In accordance with School Board Policy 808, price increases for any menu item must be Board approved.

Approval of the 2026-27 food and beverage pricing list for meals and a la carte items pricing list (see attached list) will be placed on the agenda for approval at the June 22, 2026 Board meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 484-266-1020.

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6/1/26

Elementary School Price List 2026-27

Meal Pricing			
Student Paid Lunch	\$ 3.15	Student Reduced Breakfast	\$ -
Student Paid Breakfast	\$ 1.50	Student Reduced Lunch	\$ -
Adult Breakfast	\$ 3.00	Adult Lunch	\$ 4.05
Ala Carte Pricing			
Bagel-WG	\$ 1.75	Fruit Snacks	\$ 1.65
Cereal-WG	\$ 1.75	Granola Bar-WG	\$ 1.20
Chips Small (1oz) -Baked WG	\$ 1.50	Ice Cream- Low Fat	\$ 2.00
Cookie-WG	\$ 1.10	Ice Cream- Low Fat Cone	\$ 2.75
Cream Cheese	\$ 0.75	Pop Tart- Single WG	\$ 1.75
Drink- Milk 8oz	\$ 1.00	Rice Krispie Treat-WG	\$ 1.90
Drink- Water 8oz	\$ 0.85	String Cheese	\$ 1.00
Drink- Water 16oz	\$ 1.25	Veggie/Fruit Side- Salad/Side	\$ 1.00
Egg- Hardboiled	\$ 0.85	Whole Wheat Soft Pretzel	\$ 1.25
Fruit- Fresh/Cup/Juice -4oz.	\$ 1.00	Yogurt - 4 oz	\$ 1.25

Middle School Price List 2026-27

Meal Pricing			
Student Paid Lunch	\$ 3.40	Student Reduced Breakfast	\$ -
Student Paid Breakfast	\$ 1.75	Student Reduced Lunch	\$ -
Adult Breakfast	\$ 3.00	Adult Lunch	\$ 4.30
Ala Carte Pricing			
Bagel-WG	\$ 1.75	Fruit Snacks	\$ 1.65
Benefit Bar- WG	\$ 1.75	Granola Bar-WG	\$ 1.20
Cereal-WG	\$ 1.75	Ice Cream- Low Fat	\$ 2.00
Chips Small (1oz) -Baked WG	\$ 1.50	Ice Cream- Low Fat Cone	\$ 2.75
Cookie-WG 1.5oz	\$ 1.35	Muffin-WG	\$ 1.75
Cream Cheese	\$ 0.75	Pop Tart- Single WG	\$ 1.75
Drink- Capri Sun	\$ 1.80	Pretzel- Soft/Whole Wheat	\$ 1.25
Drink- Izze 100% Juice	\$ 2.75	Pudding/Yogurt Parfait	\$ 2.75
Drink- Milk 8oz	\$ 1.00	Rice Krispie Treat-WG	\$ 1.90
Drink- Water 8oz	\$ 0.85	Veggie/Fruit Side- Salad/Side	\$ 1.00
Drink- Water 16oz	\$ 1.25	Yogurt - 4 oz	\$ 1.25
Egg- Hardboiled	\$ 0.85	String Cheese	\$ 1.00
Fruit- Fresh/Cup/Juice -4oz.	\$ 1.00		

High School Price List 2026-27

Meal Pricing			
Student Lunch Meal Bundle	\$ 3.75	Adult Breakfast **	\$ 3.00
Student Breakfast Meal Bundle	\$ 2.00	Adult Lunch **	\$ 4.70
Premium Meal	\$ 4.75		
Ala Carte Pricing			
Bagel - Large	\$ 2.50	Egg- Hardboiled	\$ 0.85
Bagel - Lenders	\$ 2.00	French Fries	\$ 1.90
Benefit/Cereal Bar -WG	\$ 1.75	Fruit- Fresh/Cup/Juice -4oz.	\$ 1.00
Premium Breakfast Sandwich	\$ 3.50	Fruit Snacks	\$ 1.65
Cereal	\$ 1.75	Funnel Cake	\$ 2.25
Chips- Baked Large	\$ 2.00	Granola Bar-WG	\$ 1.20
Chips- Baked Small	\$ 1.50	Ice Cream- Low Fat	\$ 2.00
Coffee or Cappuccino 16oz	\$ 2.00	Ice Cream- Low Fat Cone	\$ 2.75
Coffee- Iced	\$ 2.50	Ice Cream- Hershey's Sundae	\$ 3.80
Cookie	\$ 1.75	Muffin 2oz	\$ 2.00
Cream Cheese	\$ 0.75	Muffin - Gourmet	\$ 3.00
Donut - Gourmet	\$ 2.25	Pop Tart - Double	\$ 2.25
Drink- Canned Beverage (e.g. Izze)	\$ 2.75	Pretzel- Soft Pretzel Factory	\$ 2.00
Drink- Gatorade 12oz	\$ 2.25	Parfait Cup	\$ 3.50
Drink- Life Water / Gatorade	\$ 3.50	Rice Krispie Treat	\$ 1.90
Drink- Bottled Ice Tea	\$ 3.50	Smoothie- Fruit	\$ 3.50
Drink- Milk 8oz	\$ 1.00	String Cheese	\$ 1.00
Drink- Water-16 oz	\$ 1.25	Veggie/Fruit Side- Salad/Side	\$ 1.00
Drink- 16oz Milk	\$ 2.65	Yogurt 4oz	\$ 1.25
Drink - Blended Frozen	\$ 4.00		