Meal Charge Procedure for Rush Henrietta <u>Effective September 2019</u>

Procedure for Meal Charge in the Rush Henrietta Schools

When the student goes to the register and has a low balance on their account:

- <u>-Elementary schools-</u>The cashier will give the student a low balance note to take home to their parents.
- -Secondary schools- The cashier will inform the student that their balance is getting low.

The criteria for <u>low</u> balance is \$5.00 for full pay and left on the student's account after they have gone through the line that day.

- 1. If a student did not have enough money in his/her account for the day, let the child have a regular breakfast and/or lunch.
- 2. A student is allowed to charge the available reimbursable meal at both breakfast and lunch
- 3. After all the students have gone through the lunch line and our registers have been closed, the cafeteria manager will generate a charge list report. Those students highlighted are students that have charged 3 consecutive days.
 - A copy of the report will be kept on file in the cafeteria and a copy will be given to:
 - -Elementary schools -the school principal secretary or designee
 - -Secondary schools-Social worker or designee
- 4. The Food Service office will send an email to parents of students with negative balance based on the criteria of -\$10.00 for full pay.
- 5. The School's designee will be responsible for calling and alerting the parent that their child has a negative balance. The criteria that will generate a call home will be -\$15.00 for full pay. The Cook manager will have the names highlighted on the list.

 If applicable, suggest that the family apply for free and reduced price meals.
 -Suggested script- "Hello, I'm ______ calling from ______ school. This is a courtesy call to let you know your child has a negative balance on their lunch account Would you please send money, either cash or check, tomorrow with your child or replenish your account by going on-line to mealpayplus.com."
 The School's designee will receive the list daily but will call only those students who meet the negative balance criteria above.

****A child with a charge balance will not be allowed to purchase snacks until the charge is cleared.****