

**To: Danville 118 Families**  
**From: Director Food Services**  
**Date: August 28, 2025**  
**Re: Food Service Meal Programs**

**This letter is to provide information regarding the meals served during the regular school day. It gives details on cost of meals, how to locate your student's school menu and information about what we serve and why we serve it the way that we do.**

**All Danville CUSD # 118 students eat for free!**

Danville CUSD # 118 is currently enrolled in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) which provides universal free meals to all students in the district.

We offer multiple choices, and your student may choose what their meal looks like. This is called "Offer vs. Serve."

Students must take at minimum:

- 3 items at breakfast - 1 being a fruit portion
- Students must take a minimum of 3 items at lunch time, with one of the items being ½ cup of fruit or vegetable. They may choose to take all 5 food groups if they wish!

**Daily & Monthly menus are available on the Danville School District website under the Department tab, Food Service, and Menu column. Please click on the [Interactive menu](#) link. The menus are available in English and Spanish.**

**The Danville District 118** offers a choice of healthy meals each school day. All meals served must meet nutrition standards established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If a child has a disability, as determined by a doctor, and the disability prevents the child from eating the regular school meal, the school will make substitutions prescribed by the doctor. If a substitution is needed, there is no extra charge for the meal. Please note, however, that the school is not required to make substitutions for food allergies, unless it meets the definition of a disability. Please call the school for further information.

The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) is a federally funded meal program which provides both food and cash to subsidize the cost of school lunch in participating schools. The NSLP was established by President Harry Truman in 1946 and is currently operating in more than 96,000 public and nonprofit private schools and residential childcare centers. The program is managed at the federal level by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service and at the state level by the Illinois Board of Education (ISBE).

To receive the benefits of the NSLP, participating schools must offer free or reduced-price meals to eligible children. The schools must also comply with nutritional requirements outlined by the federal government. These guidelines follow the Dietary Guidelines for Americans which recommend no more than 30% of a person's calories come from fat with less than 10% from saturated fat. Lunch menus must also be designed to provide students with 1/3 of the key nutrients they need each day (calories, protein, Vitamins A and C, and iron).

### **Can my child eat breakfast at school?**

Yes! In addition to participating in the National School Lunch Program, District 118 offers a daily breakfast program at elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools.

Some schools have breakfast in the cafeteria while some schools offer breakfast in the classroom. Reach out to your student's school for more information regarding where breakfast is served.


### **We have vegetarian options daily for all K-12 students.**

Adults are charged \$2.50 for Breakfast and \$4.30 for Lunch. An account may be set up on [linqaccount.net](http://linqaccount.net).

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