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Dear Parent / Guardian:

With current national attention being focused on children's health and wellness issues, the Food Service Department is excited to provide parents a convenient, easy and secure online prepayment service. This service provides parents the ability to deposit money into your child's school meal account at any time and to view your child's account balance through the website [MySchoolBucks.com](https://www.myschoolbucks.com).

During the 2021-22 school year students will all receive universal free lunch supported by the state and federal government. However, students may wish to purchase items in addition to the main lunch offering. These "a la carte" items include snacks, water, ice cream, fruit snacks, and cookies to name a few. By having money in each child's account prior to entering the cafeteria, we find the lunch lines move along much faster and your child has more time to eat and socialize with friends. Also, families have the ability to print out a copy of their child's eating history report. This history report will show you all purchases made within the past thirty days.

If you would like to access these services:

- 1. Simply go online to [MySchoolBucks.com](https://www.myschoolbucks.com) where you can register for a free account.** *This account will allow you to add money to your child's school meal account using any major credit card. It is important to note that each transaction will incur a \$2.75 service fee.*
- 2. To create this account you need:**
 - *Your child's name*
 - *Their LASID (Locally assigned student ID number): call the school if needed*
 - *The school district, which is **Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School District**.*
 - *If you have more than one child in the District you can handle prepayments from the same online account.*

You may wish to add money to your child's account by sending a check, therefore eliminating a transaction fee. To do so please make the check out to ENSATS and write your child's **full name** in the memo section of the check. This check can be given to the cashier **before school** in the cafeteria. If you choose, you may mail a check to me, Grace Clarke, Director of Food Services, at the school address.

We are excited to offer these services, in alignment with our safe and healthy environment priority, and we are confident that the system will benefit you and your child. If you have any questions about these services, please feel free to contact me at 978 -304 4700 ext. 2008.

Best Regards ,

Grace Clarke

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Director of Food Services