## FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOOD SERVICE CHARGING POLICY:

## 11/17/16

Fremont Public Schools Food Service Department is dedicated to providing healthy meals to all students according to the federal guidelines. Parents are expected to prepay for their student meals through their food service account and this "bank account" is decreased when meals and food are purchased. Parents can put limits or stipulations on their student's account if they wish. This is a "prepay" system and therefore students/parents should not expect to charge meals and then pay later.

The food service staff believes that all students need to be nourished in order to do well in school and daily life, and therefore no complete meals (does not include extras or ala carte) will be denied any student if they owe money. Reminder notes, phone calls, and low balance emails will be made frequently to remind parents that their child owes money. Once a student reaches \$15 without payment, the principal will be notified and asked to help collect this debt. Occasionally the student may be denied participation in a school activity such as a field trip, school dance, school party, etc. until this bill is paid.

Any inactive student's positive balances not refunded by the end of the year will be applied toward any inactive students' negative balances.

**Per federal guidelines all debt must be paid by the end of the school year and can't be carried over to the next year.** Positive student balances will be carried over to the next year for all students and adults.