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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

As in the past, you are receiving this letter as a reminder of the options that are available for payment of your child's lunch. New Milford High School and David E. Owens Middle School have a computerized POS (point of sale) system in the schools' cafeterias. Rather than giving your child cash for lunch, you were able to deposit money into a debit account for your child. Just like EZ-Pass on the Garden State Parkway and NJ Turnpike, this system reduced time-consuming cash transactions and allowed our students more time to actually eat lunch rather than standing on line.

The District will continue this procedure in which you will be able to put money on account for your child by cash or check.

In addition, you also have the option of putting money on your child's account with a credit card by using an internet-based payment system. This service allows you to receive automated emails detailing your child's account balance and to alert you if the balance is low. Like EZ-Pass, there is an "auto-replenishment" option which allows you to set up a low-balance threshold and automatic debit amount to replenish your child's account. It also shows you which items your child purchased for lunch.

More information on this system can be found at <http://www.payforit.net> (then click on FAQ's). **You should note that there is a discounted internet convenience fee associated with a payment by credit card or ACH**, whereas there is no fee to put money on account by cash at the register or by check.

Please remember that you need to use his/her student 8-digit ID number (found on his/her schedule) whenever any type of monies are used to credit his/her account. Your child will use the last four digits of that number at the register and verification via a student photo already on the terminal will be used to prevent misuse of the 4-digit code by other students.

"Good old fashioned cash" is still accepted in the cafeteria, and you will be able to put money on your child's account via cash or check (by dropping your check off in the Main Office of your child's school.) We hope that many parents appreciate the ease and convenience of pre-paying for their child's lunch on-line. You can determine the amount and the payment option that best suits your finances/child's needs and how often you want to replenish your child's account.

If you have any questions, please contact the Foodservice Director in the cafeteria office or at 201-261-2952, ext. 2016.

Sincerely,

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