



# GALT JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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*This school district does not  
accept any form of  
discrimination harassment,*

## Food Services Policies New Student Meal & Special Circumstances

### New Students

Food Service will honor a designated student meal pass that is issued to new students on their first day of school. The designated student meal pass can be used for the acquisition of a "reimbursable meal" during the lunch period from the date of issue only.

Issuance should be limited to designated personnel as followed: Principal, Asst. Principal, School Secretary, and Registrar. At the time of issuance, the best effort should be made to ensure student and family submits a meal eligibility application to Food Services. Meal applications can be printed from Galt High School District Food Service Department Website, a hard copy application if available can be given and returned as soon as possible, or applications can be completed online. Also, the parent may contact the student previous school district to forward eligibility information. For students receiving SNAP, TANF, OR FEDPIR will be eligible for free meals and will require the student case number on the application.

Issuance and use of meal pass after original use will result in charges applied to the student's account.

### Identified situation (such as hunger, food insecurities, etc.)

Situations pertaining to students identifying negative circumstances involving hunger, food insecurity, etc., in which the student is not eligible for meal benefits will be handled on a case by case basis by designated personnel as named above. Hunger can also cause behavioral problems. In a classroom setting, a single child's behavior can affect the rest of the students, the teacher's attention and the overall learning atmosphere. In this case, hunger not only disturbs the affected child's learning, but the learning of others as well. It is the food services intention to ensure the well-being of students to the best of the department's ability until the appropriate designated official can resolve or submit information that qualifies a student for meal benefits. Please notify the food service director to make the best accommodations with the highest level of concern and care for the situation.

Improving child nutrition is also the focal point of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act signed into law by President Obama on December 2010. The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act helps schools in many ways. It provides meals to children that normally could not afford those nutritious food items.