CAFETERIA INFORMATION 19-20

Welcome Back!! There are exciting things happening in the Cafeteria this school year. Please read the following Information carefully to learn about snacks, breakfast and lunch procedures.

SNACKS

All students in grades $1^{st} - 6^{th}$ have the opportunity to purchase snacks during their morning recess before 9:30 a.m.

Daily snack options include fresh fruit cup, cereal bars, dry cereal, cookies, crackers, chips, Chex strawberry yogurt mix, boxed juice, & bottled water. Snacks may change throughout the school year.

All snacks are \$.50 each. Students must pay for their snack each day, they will not be allowed to charge it to their lunch account.

BREAKFAST

Breakfast is served every morning in the cafeteria from 7:00 am to 7:30 am. The cost for breakfast is \$2.00, Reduced is \$.20. Daily options include a grab and go breakfast which meets the National Breakfast Program requirements. Pre-orders for breakfast are not required.

LUNCH

- 1. <u>Lunch Deposit</u> A lunch deposit is required at registration, prior to the first day of school. If a student does not have funds available, he or she will be served an alternate lunch, ex: cheese sandwich as their main item until money is received by the school office.
- 2. <u>*Cost*</u> The cost of lunch is \$3.50 per plate, \$.40 for Reduced, per child. *Lunches and Breakfast MUST* be pre-paid.
- 2. <u>Monthly Menu</u> A monthly menu will be posted on the school's website. Parents may decide on the days their child will purchase lunch in the cafeteria, as well as the specific meal option for each day selected.
- 3. <u>Daily Lunch Selections</u> Students electing to eat in the cafeteria will have options of either a **hot lunch, salad** or **sandwich.**

<u>Hot Lunch</u> – The hot lunch item will vary daily and will be indicated on the lunch menu. <u>Salad</u> - Daily options include a chef salad, tuna salad or grilled chicken salad in addition to any specialty item that will be indicated on the monthly menu. All salads are made fresh each morning. Salads come with an egg, cheese, tomato, carrots, croutons and crackers with ranch dressing.

<u>Sandwich</u>– Daily options include ham, tuna, grilled chicken and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. Students will have the option of hoagie bread, white sliced bread, pickles, mayo or mustard.

All options will be served the daily vegetable as indicated on the menu along with milk. Students will also have their choice of the daily fruit and a 4 oz juice (orange, grape, or apple), which will be selected as he/she goes through the lunch line.

4. <u>Lunch Procedure</u> - During morning attendance, all students planning to eat in the cafeteria, including those that may have forgotten their lunch box, will give the classroom teacher his/her selection for that day, which will be turned into the office/cafeteria as part of the daily count.

Students will enter the lunch line in alphabetical order, per class. After receiving their lunch, students will provide the cashier with their lunch number and proceed to the lunch table. Students <u>must</u> verbally give their lunch number to the cashier.

LUNCH NUMBER

Each student will be provided a lunch number during registration. Assigned numbers will follow the students each year while attending St. Vincent. Please include your child's lunch number on all payments.

Lunch Accounts and Payments

Each student will have a lunch account set up through PowerSchool. Login information will be provided at registration and will be available through the front office. Parents are encouraged to monitor their child's lunch account often. All cafeteria transactions, including snack, will be reflected in this account and will indicate credit balances available **or** balances due (shown as a negative). Payments should be made at the beginning of each month.

Individual lunch account payment options are as follows:

- 1. <u>Yearly Payment</u> The cost of lunch per child is \$630.00. A one time payment of this amount can be made and applied to your child's account.
- Monthly Draft Through FACTS The cost of lunch per child is \$630.00. This amount can be added to your FACTS account.
- Monthly Payment You may apply a payment to your child's lunch account monthly to the front office. Should you have more than one student, we ask that you indicate each student's lunch number and the amount to be applied to their account on the memo line of your check.

IMPORTANT NOTE: WE ARE UNABLE TO CONTINUE TO SERVE A LUNCH TO ANY STUDENT WITH A NEGATIVE BALANCE OF \$10.00 OR MORE. PLEASE MAKE CERTAIN TO MONITOR YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH BALANCE AND KEEP THEIR ACCOUNT CURRENT. AN ALTERNATIVE LUNCH WILL BE SERVED ONCE THEY REACH THE NEGATIVE BALANCE.

FREE and REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM

St. Vincent School participates in the Federal School Breakfast and Lunch Program. Applications are provided to all families at the beginning of the school year. We highly recommend all families complete an application and return it to the school.

Applications will be available throughout the school year. If your family is denied initially and your circumstances change, please contact the office for reevaluation. In accordance with Federal Law and USDA policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. *If you qualify for free or reduced this includes breakfast as well as lunch*.

If your family qualified for free or reduced lunch or breakfast for the 2018 – 2019 school year, this status will remain for <u>August 2019 only</u>. A new application must be submitted for the 2019 – 2020 school year or your child(ren) will become full pay effective September 1, 2019.

For qualified applicants, the reduced cost for breakfast is \$0.20 per child and \$0.40 per child for lunch.