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Dear Parents/Guardians of BMU Students,

On September 2nd the Blue Mountain Union School Board adopted a new Food Service Policy and Procedure. The new procedure states:

All food purchased from the BMU food service will be paid for at the time of purchase, either in cash, or by deduction from a prepaid account. Credit will not be extended. All school personnel (students, staff and administrators) will have a personal account and PIN number. Accounts will be structured and administered in such a way that information about the account is kept confidential.

Purchases from prepaid accounts will be deducted from the account at the time of sale and a running balance kept. Individuals may request their account balance at any time. Deposits to the account can be made by cash or check and will be credited to the account upon receipt by the food service director. Parents with a prepaid account will be notified when account balances fall below an amount designated by the administration.

Students whose account balance is \$0 and who do not have cash will be offered the "minimum meal" Breakfast – cold cereal, milk and fruit juice; Lunch – peanut butter sandwich(or equivalent) and milk. If a student must regularly be offered the minimum meal, the principal will contact the student's family to determine if the student is eligible for free or reduced price meals and encourage participation in the program if he or she is eligible.

In extraordinary circumstances, the principal, at his or her discretion, may ask the school board to make exceptions to this procedure for an individual student.

This new procedure will require that all students, staff, and administration have money in their account to purchase lunch, breakfast, or snack milks/juices. The minimum meal will be served to students who do not have money in their account. Parents can setup an online account with NutriKids, the software program that handles our student accounts, at <https://www.mynutrikids.com/>. The online account will allow you to track how much money is on your student's lunch account. If you need your student's identification number, please email Mr. Doda at milt.doda@bmschool.org or call him at the school.

The new policy/procedure goes into effect on Monday, October 5th, 2009. If you should have any questions, please contact me at 757-2711 ext. 1120.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian C. Rayburn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Brian C. Rayburn
Principal