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Dear Parent,

Champion Local Schools has recently adopted a new computerized payment system for all school meals purchased in the district's cafeterias. The first day of service for this new system will be **Friday, February 26, 2010**. I would like to take the time to introduce this system to all parents and to describe the upcoming services that will be provided. The first few days the lunch lines may be slower, but as the students familiarize themselves with the system, the lines should move much quicker than before.

Every student will have their own personal meal account based on their current student ID number. Students can access their accounts on the PIN pads located at every register. The student ID number is located to the left of the name on report cards. It is strongly recommended that all students remember their numbers, as this will make the meal lines move faster.

#### Benefits for Parents

1. Parents do not have to search for "Lunch Money" every day.
2. Parents can deposit money on their students account with cash or check.
3. Parents can review the eating history of their child.
4. Parents can set daily, weekly or monthly spending limits by dollar amount or number of items.

Parents that currently pre-pay for lunches will continue as they have in the past. Next Fall we will offer the option of pre-paying on-line.

We encourage parents to deposit money into the student's account, although they may still pay cash. When sending in money by check or cash, please include the student's ID number on the check or envelope so it is deposited into the correct account. All checks are to be made out to Champion Schools Cafeteria. This system allows students to charge only if there is money in their account – we won't allow any negative balances to occur.

If your student has qualified for **free or reduced** price lunches, this information is securely contained within the system and the meal will be processed just as it is for all other students.

Thank you in advance for your patience in implementing this system.

Sincerely,

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