



# West Hardin County

Consolidated Independent School District

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Dear Oiler Family,

West Hardin County CISD had an audit of our Child Nutrition Program (CNP) by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) on February 7, 2018. TDA found us to be out of compliance regarding the price of our meals. They cited that our current cost per meal is too low and not within acceptable range of the current federal reimbursement per meal rate. In previous years, price increases have been recommended but not required. The District has chosen to maintain our current pricing, which has been in place for 10 years, in an attempt to help our families.

In order for us to be in compliance with TDA and to avoid financial penalties, we must increase the cost for our meals to bring them closer to the federal reimbursement rate. Out of respect for our families and the short timeline required by TDA to begin to make the changes, we will stagger the increase so that families will have as much time as possible to plan for the final price increase.

The chart below shows the current federal reimbursement rate, our current cost and the cost increases and date on which the increases will take place.

Meal	Current Federal Reimbursement Rate/meal	WH Current Cost	Cost increase/date	Cost increase/date
Breakfast	\$2.09	\$1.25	\$1.50/April 2, 2018	N/A
Lunch	\$3.25	\$2.50	\$2.75/April 2, 2018	\$3.00/August 2018

Per TDA, these price increases will put us within acceptable range of the federal reimbursement per meal rate and satisfy their requirement for the price increases.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (936) 274-5061 extension \*402. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Go Oilers,

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