

## College Station Independent School District

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### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Dr. Eddie Coulson, Superintendent

From: Dr. Clark Ealy, Deputy Superintendent for Administrative Services

Date: May 16, 2013

Subject: Consideration, discussion and possible action regarding paid meal prices for the

2013-14 school year

Agenda Item: K-1

Board Priority/

District Goal: Priorities A & B; Goals 1, 2 & 3

#### Background

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 reauthorized the National School Lunch Program. One of the provisions of the act affects the prices schools must charge for their paid meals. Specifically, schools must charge the difference between the reimbursement rate for a free meal and the reimbursement rate for a paid meal. In CSISD, free lunches are reimbursed \$2.86, while paid meals are reimbursed \$0.27. So, for a paid school lunch CSISD must charge an average of \$2.55 for our lunches (rounded down to the nearest \$0.05). Districts that charge lower than that rate, like CSISD, must increase the lunch prices annually until they reach their target.

Currently, CSISD charges our paid students an average of \$2.25 per lunch. Secondary lunches cost more than elementary lunches due to the additional food choices and larger portion sizes. The Texas Department of Agriculture provides a formula each year to determine if a district must raise prices, and by how much. Based on that formula, CSISD could raise our lunch prices by as little as \$0.05. Since we increased \$0.10 for the current school year, our recommendation is to go with the lowest possible increase. Breakfast prices and non-student lunch prices are not affected.

The proposed meal prices for 2013-14 school year are:

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
1.35	2.15
1.35	2.40
1.35	2.40
1.75	3.00
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## Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of College Station Independent School District approve the school paid lunch prices for the 2013-14 school year as presented.