



## Great Hearts Child Nutrition – Back to School Newsletter

We are busy getting everything ready in the kitchens for your students! From revisiting the menus, to training staff, we want to be ready to greet your child with a friendly smile and great food.

### New Meal Accounts!

We're excited to inform you that our meal payments portal is now LINQ Connect (replacing MealTime). You will need to set up a new parent account and add your students. Your students' meal balances have already been transferred to the new system and are ready for the new year.

To add your student to your account, you will need the following information:

- Student ID:
- School Name
- Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Here are some exciting features to expect:

- An interactive dashboard to view all family members in one profile
- Transfer funds between students
- Make online payments and set up recurring deposits with a credit card or electronic check
- Remotely monitor your student's account
- Set up low balance email alert messages
- Apply for Free & Reduced Meals
- View Breakfast and Lunch menus

Visit [www.LINQConnect.com](http://www.LINQConnect.com) to create and manage your account! Mobile Apps are also available on the Apple Store and Google Play.



# FREE & REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATION



## Free and Reduced Lunch Application is OPEN!

Great Hearts participates in the Free & Reduced Lunch (FRL) Program. Your family may qualify for breakfast and lunch meals at a minimal or no cost. You can [submit an application here](#). (Please do not submit an application if you have received a Direct Certification email since July 7, 2023.)

### FRL Reminders:

- You MUST requalify every year! Make sure you have either received a direct certification email or submit an application for the 2023-24 school year.
- In order to receive a free or reduced meal, a student MUST take a complete meal. This means that they must take [3 items for breakfast](#) and [3 food groups for lunch](#). One of the items or food groups must be a fruit or vegetable. If your child refuses to take a fruit or vegetable or a complete meal, then they will not receive the free or reduced prices for that meal.

## Child Nutrition Program Quick Info

Website: <https://texas.greatheartsamerica.org/academy-life/meal-program/> Meal Prices:

- Breakfast: \$2.00 (Free for Reduced)
- Lunch: \$4.00 (\$0.40 for Reduced)

District Contact: [Meals@GreatHeartsTXSchools.org](mailto:Meals@GreatHeartsTXSchools.org)

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