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TO: All Principals

FROM: Michael J. Burke, Chief Operating Officer *MJB*

SUBJECT: PAID LUNCH PRICE INCREASE

The interim rule entitled, "National School Lunch Program: School Food Service Account Revenue Amendments Related to the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act" that was signed into law on December 13, 2010, requires that school nutrition programs increase the "paid reimbursable" meal price to be equal to the difference between the free meal reimbursement (**\$2.88**) and the paid meal reimbursement (**\$0.29**), for a total of **\$2.59**.

For the 2012-13 school year, the Palm School County School District's average paid lunch price was **\$1.89** (**\$1.75** for Elementary and **\$2.00** for Middle and High).

In order to start to align our District with the regulation, the Board approved a plan of action on May 15, 2013, to gradually increase the paid lunch meal price for the next three school years starting in 2013-14. Although the regulations requires an increase to the paid meal price, there is a per year limit on the increase of **\$0.10**. Therefore, in order to be in compliance the approved plan calls for the following yearly increase.

Level	Current Prices	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Elementary	\$1.75	\$1.85	\$1.95	\$2.05
Middle and High	\$2.00	\$2.10	\$2.20	\$2.30

The reduced lunch meal price will remain **\$0.40** and the adult lunch meal price will remain **\$3.00** for the school year 2013-14.

A brochure will be sent out to all households in July 2013, which has the new paid meal prices for school year 2013-14.

Your understanding and cooperation in implementing the new prices is appreciated.

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E. Wayne Gent, Superintendent