From: Baldwin Elementary School Breakfast and Lunch Program

Re: Utilizing your *MySchoolBucks Account* in the 2023-2024 school year

Date: March 2024

The U. S. Department of Agriculture no longer provides free meals for all students. This means that students will **no longer be automatically eligible** to receive free meals at school. Rather, you are encouraged to apply for free or reduced price meals by filling out and submitting the enclosed Free and Reduced Price Meals application **OR** by filling out and submitting your application online using the following link: <a href="www.baldwinschools.org/meals">www.baldwinschools.org/meals</a> **OR** by using the QR code below with your mobile device:



### **PAYMENT INFORMATION**

# PREPAYMENT ONLY

# No cash will be accepted from students at lunch time.

### **ONLINE PREPAYMENT**

This convenient, easy and secure online payment service will allow you to deposit money into your child's school lunch/milk account at any time as well as view balances. These services are available through a website called mySchoolBucks. You will have the ability to print out a copy of recent purchases over a 90 day period via a history report.



## **THINGS TO KNOW:**

- If you have a secondary student already registered, you can go to your current account and add your elementary grade child(ren).
- If you have more than one child in the District, you can handle all online prepayments from the same online account.
- Ending balances will follow the student into the next school year.

## Registering for mySchoolBucks

You will need your child's "Student Identification Number" – **STUDENT NAME ID** 

- Go directly to mySchoolBucks.com to register or -
- Go to the District website at www.baldwinschools.org
- Click on the Lunch Program link
- Click on the mySchoolBucks link
- Click REGISTER for a free account and enter the required information
- Click FINISH to complete the initial registration process

# Add your Child(ren) to Your Family Account

 Once you have created a parent account, click My Household on the left-side navigation bar to add students to your account. Once you have added students to your Household, their names and schools will appear by clicking the My
 Household link on the left-hand side of the page. This page will also display the current balance available for
 each student. From this page you can deposit money into a Student Account, view purchase history and add
 or remove students.

# **How to Make a Deposit**

- To deposit money into one or more student accounts, click *Make a Payment*.
- Enter the amount you want to deposit into each student account and then click Add to Basket.
- Review the amount(s) you have entered and verify the information is correct. If you need to adjust any amount, click Continue Shopping. If the information is correct and you are finished, click Check Out Now.

## **Payment Information**

- Enter your payment information, making sure to complete all required fields, then click *Continue*.
- If paying with a credit or debit card, enter the three- or four-digit Verification Code that appears on the card, and then click *Continue*.
- Review your order and make sure that all deposits are correct. This screen will show the amount of deposit for
  each student, a subtotal of the payment and then the total payment amount including any convenience fee to
  make a payment. If the order is correct, click *Place Order*.

In order to use the online prepayment service, a convenience fee for each transaction will be assessed to cover the bank fees. The convenience fee is \$3.25 per deposit transaction. Parents placing money into multiple accounts will only be assessed the \$3.25 fee once per deposit transaction. Whether you deposit \$10.00 or \$100.00 dollars, you will only be charged \$3.25 for the deposit.

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If you have any questions, please call 434-6042.