

Notice About School Lunch Fees

1. Calculation of School Lunch Fees

- Annual school lunch fees will be calculated by multiplying the unit price per meal by the number of scheduled meals in the year.
- The amounts to be paid are fixed, and you will be sent a "School Lunch Fee Payment Notice" with the amounts in mid-June.
- "No milk" is applied when a "School Lunch Fee Category Change Notice" is submitted. General beverages such as milk are subject to suspension.
- School lunch fees were revised in April 2026, however, by utilizing the national government's Priority Support Local Allocation Grant, the amount per meal that parents and guardians are required to pay for School Year (SY) 2026 will be the amount in the bold frame.

		Revised fee per meal	Amount paid by parent/guardian			Annual amount			Monthly amount		
			Full lunch	No milk	Milk only	Full lunch	No milk	Milk only	Full lunch	No milk	Milk only
Junior high school	1st - 2nd grade	397	320	251	69	57,600	45,180	12,420	5,300	4,200	1,200
	3rd grade	397	320	251		54,400	42,670	11,730	5,000	3,900	1,100
Schools for special needs education*	Kindergarten	223	180	111	69	32,940	20,313	12,627	3,000	1,900	1,200
	Middle grades / Senior grades	397	320	251		58,560	45,933		5,400	4,200	

* From SY 2026, the national government's Fundamental Reduction of School Lunch Fees initiative will begin in elementary schools (including for special needs education). As the national government's Priority Support Local Allocation Grant will be utilized as well, parents and guardians of children in elementary school will not have to pay any school lunch fees for SY 2026; therefore, these have been omitted from the table.

2. Payment Methods

- In principle, school lunch fees are to be paid by direct debit. If a direct debit registration is received by the 20th of the month before a due date, debits from the account will start from the following month. (If a weekend or holiday, the due date will be the next business day)
- The account transfer dates (due dates) for SY 2026 are as follows.
- For those who choose to pay by invoice, the invoice will be sent to you along with the "School Lunch Fee Notice" around the 20th of the month.

	1st payment	2nd payment	3rd payment	4th payment	5th payment	6th payment	7th payment	8th payment	9th payment
Due Date	June 30th	July 31st	August 31st	September 30th	November 2nd	November 30th	January 4th	February 1st	March 1st
Subject Month(s)	April / May	June	July	August/ September	October	November	December	January	February / March

Please pay school lunch fees via direct debit. (Please refer to the URL on the reverse side.)

3. If There Was a Change in Address, Name, Account Information, Etc.

- The following procedure should be followed if there is a change of **address, name, or telephone number for the school lunch payer.**

Content of Changes	Documents to be submitted to the School	Notes
Address (Mailing Address)	None*	*If you change your address, the mailing address for documents will be to the new address notified to the ward office, so you will not need to submit a "School Lunch Application Change Notification," but if you wish to have documents sent to an address other than that notified to the ward office, please be sure to submit a "School Lunch Application Change Notification" to the school.
Name of School Lunch Payer	School Lunch Application Change Notification	
Telephone Number		

* If your child is enrolled in the kindergarden or higher education division of a special needs school, the "School Lunch Application Change Notification" is always required.

- The following procedure should be followed if there is a change to the **school lunch account information.**

Content of Changes	Required Procedure
Change of Transfer Account	Please use the "online account transfer application website" on the reverse side to register the desired account.
Change of Account Name (Change of Surname, etc.)	Please attach a copy of the passbook or other evidence of the change of name to the "School Lunch Application Change Notification" and submit it to your child's school.

4. Suspension, Resumption, and Change of School Lunch (Adjustment of School Lunch Fees)

(1) When notifying of suspension / resumption / changes to school lunch provision

- If your child's lunch provision status is changed to "Stopped (Not Provided)", "Restart after a Stop", or "Lunch Contents Changed (Milk is stopped or only milk is provided)", **please inform the school in advance and then submit a "School Lunch Fee Category Change Notification". after which the school lunch fees will be adjusted.** Please contact the school first.

When milk is stopped or only milk is provided due to food allergies, etc.

Please submit a "School Lunch Fee Category Change Notification" if a change is made to "(1) Stopped", "(2) Stop Milk", or "(3) Provide Milk Only" due to food allergies etc. The school lunch fees will be adjusted according to categories (1) to (3).

If lunch is not necessary for 4 or more consecutive day due to injury, illness or long-term absence

If you know in advance that your child will not eat lunch **for 4 or more days in a row** due to injury, illness or long-term absence, the charging of school lunch fees can be suspended by submitting a "School Lunch Fee Category Change Notification".

You will be charged for school lunch if you have not submitted a "School Lunch Fee Category Change Notification". If you are in any doubt as to whether or not you should suspend school lunch, please be sure to contact the school. After you have confirmed the details of the absence and the suspension of school lunches with the school, you will need to submit the notification to the school, and then the charging of school lunch fees will be suspended.

When transferring to a school other than a municipal school

If you move out of the city or transfer to a private school, in principle you will need to follow the normal transfer procedures, but the submission of documents related to school lunch is not required. Please note that we cannot immediately stop charging for school lunch fees due to the ordering of ingredients.

Points to note regarding notices using the "School Lunch Fee Category Change Notification"

- School lunch fee adjustments will be applied commencing from the 8th day after the day that the school receives the notification ("School Lunch Fee Category Change Notification" or transfer notification) (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, etc.). In particular, regarding the suspension of school lunches, if there is no notification ingredients will still be ordered, so whether or not lunch is eaten you will be billed for the meals. Please be sure to notify the school in advance.
- Even if you do not submit a "School Lunch Fee Category Change Notification," if your child is absent continuously from the first to the last day of the month (excluding March and August), food orders will be suspended beginning on the first day of the month that falls two months after the month of absence to prevent prolonged ordering of unnecessary food items. If you wish to resume school lunches after that, you will need to submit a new Category Change Notification.

(2) When school lunch is not provided due to school events or temporary closures

- School lunch fees will not be collected for days when school lunches are not provided, such as days designated in advance as no-school-lunch days due to school events, etc., or when the school is temporarily closed (including school-wide, grade-level, or class-level closures) due to typhoons or infectious diseases.

(3) School lunch fees will be adjusted (settled) in the 9th payment

- In principle, school lunch fees will be adjusted in the 9th payment. The school lunch fees for the year will be fixed in February based on the number of meals provided, and the final amount to be paid will be adjusted in the 9th payment.
- The amount to be paid after the adjustment will be notified in the "School Lunch Fee Change Notice" issued in February. In case of moving out of the city, etc., the notice will be mailed in the month after the occurrence of the event (or later).
- If a reason requiring adjustment to the school lunch fees arises after the 9th payment amount has been confirmed, an invoice or refund will be issued in March. Any additional payments should be made using a payment slip.
- If school lunch fees are overdue, it will be set off against the unpaid amount instead of being refunded.

(4) If you have difficulty paying school lunch fees

- Those who receive social welfare or a school expense subsidy do not have to pay school lunch fees. If school lunch fees are paid while waiting for certification, they will be refunded for the amount of certification.

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↑You can access the online
account transfer
application website here.