## **Unpaid Meal Charge Procedures**

Pelican Rapids Schools does have a no-charge practice; however, children are never refused a meal due to inadequate funds. All children are allowed to eat a school lunch regardless of their account balance. We do not offer an alternative meal, the child is allowed to eat what is offered to all students.

Reminders are sent home weekly with the balance listed on the payor balance notice. This reminder is sent to all families who have a negative balance. Phone calls to the parent/guardian are also made on an as needed basis.

All families are encouraged to fill out an application for free/reduced priced school meals. All families receive an application in the mail prior to the beginning of each school year. They may also receive one if it appears that they are having trouble paying for their student's meals.