

Adult Meal Pricing

Remember that the National School Lunch and Breakfast programs are for the students at the school. You are receiving a certain amount of reimbursement for student meals but cannot claim any adult meal for reimbursement. Therefore, the adult meal price must include the reimbursement and the value of commodities used in the meal. The memo outlining this requirement is here: [Pricing of Adult Meals in the National School Lunch And School Breakfast Programs | Food and Nutrition Service \(usda.gov\)](#)

The pricing formula for adult meals based on the reimbursement and commodity value is:

- a. For a school that has set student pricing, add the reimbursement for a paid student meal plus the value of commodities used. The **adult lunch price calculation** at a regular school will need to be **\$.96** higher than the highest student price (\$.42 paid reimbursement + \$.09 meal pattern incentive + \$.45 commodity value)
An adult breakfast price must be **\$.39** higher at a regular school.
- b. A non-pricing school will need to set their adult lunches at or above \$4.97 for a regular school and **\$4.99** for schools eligible at severe need levels.
A non-pricing school will need to set their breakfast price at or above \$2.37 (regular) or **\$2.84** (severe need).