

**Allendale Public Schools
100 Brookside Avenue
Allendale, New Jersey 07401**

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To Allendale Parents,

We are extremely pleased that the Allendale Board of Education has implemented a computerized point of sale system (POS) in the school cafeteria. Instead of paying cash for your child's lunch or snacks, you are able to deposit cash or checks into your child's debit account. Like EZ Pass speeds up traffic, this will help our lunch lines move faster by reducing time-consuming cash transactions. Of course, good old fashioned CASH will still be accepted.

The District is offering four convenient ways to put money on your child's account: Check made out to the **Allendale Board of Education**, Cash where your child just tells us to enter it on the account, an internet based payment system which allows you the option of paying for your child's lunch on line via ACH including (Electronic Check) and Credit Card.

The ACH service also allows you to receive automated emails detailing your child's account balance, which items they purchased for lunch, and if their balance is low. Additionally, like EZ-Pass, there is an "auto-replenishment" option which allows you to set up a low-balance threshold and automatic debit amount to replenish your child's account. More info on this system can be found at <http://www.payforit.net>, and then click on FAQ's. Note that there is an internet convenience fee associated with these payments of \$1.75 per transaction for ACH (electronic checks) and 3.95% when using a credit card. Please note that the Allendale Board of Education does not retain any portion of this fee, which has been established to cover the ACH fees.

Also note that if you choose to use the www.payforit.net system to view reports only, you may do so at "**no charge**". The ICF (internet convenience fee) is only imposed on deposits to your child's account made on line. The Allendale School District retains no portion of this fee, which has been established to cover the ACH fees and *PayForIt* web site maintenance costs. The Internet payments will be accepted in as large or small a dollar amount as you feel is convenient for you. Please keep in mind that the larger amount you send, the fewer payments you will have to make during the course of the school year, thereby reducing the number of transactions.

Students will be able to access their balance when making a purchase by inputting their pin number into a pin pad in the cafeteria. If you have any questions, please contact me or the food service office at 201-327-2021 x 1301.

Very truly yours,
The Allendale Board of Education