

# Meal Account Access System

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The district's meal account access system at the Intermediate and Junior/Senior High School allows students to access their meal accounts using a sensor that identifies them by the touch of a finger. We have compiled a list of frequently asked questions to address possible questions you may have.

**How are school meals accounted for right now?**

A numeric key pad or ID card swipe enables students to access their meal accounts. A student either keys in his/her ID number or slides his/her school ID card through the device. If a student forgets his/her ID card or ID number, the lunchroom staff needs to look up the student's ID, causing delays in the lunch line.

**What is the new device and what does it do?**

The new device allows a student to access his/her meal account with the touch of his/her finger. When a student places his/her finger on the touchpad scanner, the system creates a numerical template based on the scan, checks it against templates in the database, and returns an ID match. The student no longer has to worry about remembering his/her ID number or carrying his/her ID card.

**Will my student be fingerprinted?**

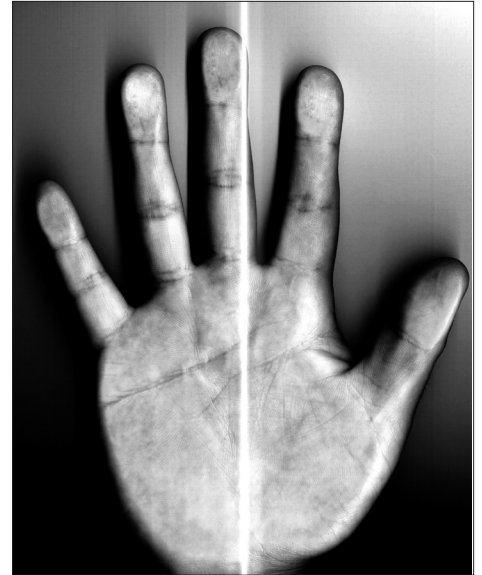
NO. Our system DOES NOT store fingerprints or images of the fingerprint. Our device has a touchpad scanner that matches a biometric scan to a student's ID.

**Is this system secure?**

YES. The templates can only be used for identification in the school cafeteria. No information will be shared outside of the school cafeteria. There is NO way to generate a fingerprint from your student's template.

**What does the program consist of? How will my student be involved?**

During first time use, your student will place his/her finger on the touchpad scanner twice to create a template. During school meals, your student will place his/her finger on the scanner and it will be matched to his/her template.



If you prefer that we not scan your student's finger at this time, please complete the enclosed removal form and return it to the Food Service Office, located in the Hornell Senior High School, as soon as possible.

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## Touchpad Scanner Removal Form

If you would like to remove your student from this program, please complete this form and return it to the Hornell Senior High School Cafeteria as soon as possible.

Student Name/Grade \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_