Neil Campbell School Lunch Program Registration 2025-26

May 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please find attached the Neil Campbell Lunch Program (NCLP) registration package, which includes our revised Policies and Expectations document. Please note:

- All fees for 2024-2025 must be paid in full before a student can register for the 2025-2026 school year.
- Students may not return to the school before 12:40 if they are not registered for the Lunch Program and eating lunch at the school that day. Students returning to school prior to 12:45 must wait in the school foyer until the bell rings.

Please take time to closely review the **Neil Campbell Lunch Program Policies and Expectations.** This document includes information about the purpose of the program, registration options and fees, methods of payment and behavioral expectations. Please keep this document for your records and future reference.

New this year, we are **no longer accepting cash** as a method of payment due to security and banking concerns. All payments should be made via cheque or etransfer.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at your convenience. Sincerely,

Neil Campbell Lunch Program Committee

NEIL CAMPBELL LUNCH PROGRAM POLICIES AND EXPECTATIONS

2025-26

1.0 POLICIES

1.01 PURPOSE

The Neil Campbell Lunch Program (NCLP) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing our students with a safe, caring, respectful environment where parents/guardians may choose to have their children supervised over the lunch break (11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.).

1.02 <u>ABOUT THE PROGRAM</u>

- 1. The NCLP is a user-pay lunch supervision program administered by a committee of parent volunteers who meet monthly to discuss program finances and needs, as well as ensure the program runs smoothly. You are welcome to attend a meeting at any time!
- 2. Supervisors, hired by the Lunch Program Committee, monitor the classrooms and hallways while the children eat lunch and supervise the playground during the subsequent lunch recess. During inclement weather, students are supervised inside.
- Only those students registered in the Lunch Program may stay at school for lunch. Students
 who do not participate in the lunch program may not return to school before 12:40 p.m.
 Students who return to school before 12:45 p.m. must wait in the school foyer until the bell
 rings.
- 4. Students provide their own lunches and eat in their classroom. This program does not provide hot meals or utensils and there are no microwaves available for heating lunches.
- 5. Neil Campbell School and playground strives to be a peanut and nut free environment, due to potentially fatal reactions for children with allergies. Do not bring the following foods to school:
 - Nuts or nut products (including trail mix, Nutella, peanut butter, almond butter, etc)
 - Anything labeled "MAY CONTAIN NUTS"
 - Anything labeled "Made in a factory that produces nut products"

Your child's teacher should communicate any additional allergies of which you should be aware and the NCLP asks that you respect these restrictions for the safety of all children. Please refer to RETSD policy JLCG-R2 for more information regarding anaphylaxis avoidance strategies.

6. The Lunch Program is not a fundraising venture – all fees collected are used to pay the salaries of staff hired to supervise students during the lunch break, related training required (i.e. CPR and first aid certification), and for miscellaneous expenses related to the operation of the Lunch Program (i.e. stocking first aid kits). All funds from this program are managed by the NCLP Committee and held in a bank account separate from the school.

1.03 REGISTRATION

Registration forms are sent out in May for the coming school year. Every year, a new Registration Form is required for all students participating in the Lunch Program, which should be completed and submitted, along with applicable payment, to the school office by date indicated on the form.

New or current students may opt into the Lunch Program (on a full-time or casual basis) at any time during the school year by completing and submitting a Registration Form and applicable payment to the school office.

1.04 REGISTRATION OPTIONS

Full Time (1-5)	Student will be eating lunch <u>at school</u> every day.
Full Time (Kindergarten)	Kindergartener will be eating lunch <u>at school</u> every day they are scheduled to be at school.
	Student will be eating lunch <u>at home</u> most days, but may need/choose to stay at school for lunch from time to time.
Casual* (K-5)	One casual pass of \$10.00 is good for 10 days of supervised lunch stays. Staff will advise you when the student has five (5) days remaining, giving you an option to renew.
	*Even if you think your child will stay at school for lunch only once in a while (i.e. for lunchtime clubs, sports, or activities), please complete a Registration Form and register as "Casual". Please purchase your casual pass carefully, as no refunds will be issued.

1.05 <u>FEES and METHODS OF PAYMENT</u>

The Lunch Program user fees and payment options for 2025/26 school year are found below.

My child(ren) will participate in the lunch program on the following basis (please check one):						
	One (l) payment	\$186.00 per child .			
Full Time						
(grades	Two (2) payments	\$93.00 per child per cheque post-dated for Sept. 1 2025 and			
1-5)			Feb. 1, 2026			
	Ten (1	0)	\$18.60 per child per cheque, post-dated for the 1st of each			
	paym	ents	month from September 2025 to June 2026.			
	One (l) payment	\$93.00 per child.			
Full Time	Two (2	e) payments	\$46.50 per child per cheque post-dated Sept 1, 2025 and			
(Kinderg	g Feb. 1, 2026		Feb. 1, 2026			
arten)	Ten (1	0)	\$9.30 per child per cheque, post-dated for the 1st of each			
	paym	ents	month from September 2025 to June 2026			
Casual	One (l) payment	\$10.00 per child. Good for 10 supervised lunch stays at			
(K-5)			school. Renewable. Purchase in multiples of \$10.			

- Payment options include cheque or etransfer. Payments can be made once for all children in one family. Please note your child(ren)'s name(s) to ensure payment is applied correctly to each student (eg. on cheque, in etransfer memo). Etransfer is accepted for full payments, monthly payments and casual payments.
- Please make <u>cheques</u> payable to: **NEIL CAMPBELL LUNCH PROGRAM.**

- <u>Etransfers</u> should be sent to: <u>nclpetransfer@gmail.com</u>. Etransfers must include an additional email to the same address with password used and children who you are paying for. Password: we recommend using a student's first and last name as one word.
- Late payments will result in removal from the Lunch Program.
- All outstanding fees for the previous year must be paid in full before a student can register for the Lunch Program for 2025-26. Payment for accounts in arrears may be enclosed with the 2025-26 registration form.

1.06 <u>LATE PAYMENT</u>

In the event of late payment, the Treasurer, in consultation with School Administration, will implement the following policy:

- 1. The parent/guardian will receive a note/e-mail reminding them that payment has been missed and should be paid the following school day.
- 2. If payment has not been received five (5) school days past due, the Treasurer will call and make arrangements with the parent/guardian to pay all outstanding fees by an agreed upon date. If there is difficulty in reaching an agreed upon date for payment, the outstanding account will be forwarded to the School Administration.
- 3. At ten (10) school days past due, or on the agreed upon date as per above, the late payment will be viewed as a parental decision to no longer use the services of the Lunch Program. The outstanding account will be forwarded to the School Administration and the parent/guardian will be required to make alternate arrangements for their child during the lunch break. A student may participate in the Lunch Program again once their parent/guardian has paid all outstanding fees in full.

1.07 NSF CHEQUES

Cheques returned for any reason will be considered as late payment and the process outlined in 1.06 Late Payment, above, will be followed. There will be a service charge of \$5 for each NSF cheque received by the Lunch Program.

1.08 RECEIPTS

Receipts will be issued to parents/guardians by the end of February for fees paid September-December of the year prior and at the end of June for fees paid January – June of that year. We are not responsible for lost receipts.

1.09 REFUNDS

There will be no refunds issued unless a student is transferring to another school or school is cancelled, at which point the unused portion of the user fee will be reimbursed. Written notification of the student's departure can be sent to the NCLP Coordinator and Treasurer via the school. This does not apply to grade 5 students moving on to middle school.

2.0 EXPECTATIONS

The NCLP appreciates your cooperation in communicating the Lunch Program Expectations listed below to your child. After you've reviewed the expectations together, please sign the registration form as a pledge to meet the expectations and ensure a safe, caring, and respectful environment.

2.01 Please follow Neil Campbell Lunch Program's/Neil Campbell School's Expectations

Students are expected to follow all school expectations during lunch and lunch recess, as listed on the matrices below. These matrices are posted around the school and are used to remind and reinforce appropriate behavior. Please review the matrices with your child(ren) prior to signing the registration form. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather.

Lunch begins at 11:45 a.m. Students in the school are split into two groups - one group goes outside first, and the other group eats inside first. At 12:15 p.m. the groups switch, so everyone has a chance to eat and go outside. The lunch hour ends at 12:45 p.m.

Students who are not registered with the Lunch Program may not return to the school until 12:40 p.m. Students returning to school before 12:45 p.m. must wait in the school foyer until the bell rings.

Indoor Recess

In the event of indoor recess, students remain in their classrooms. They may choose a game or activity to do individually or with classmates, at their desks, until class resumes while supervisors circulate in their designated areas.

In the Lunch Room We:

SAFE	Keep hands, feet and body to yourself	Ask a supervisor if you need to leave your seat	Only eat your own food
RESPECTFUL	Use kind and polite words	Keep volume to a level 2 or 3	Recycle, compost, and clean up after yourself
RESPONSIBLE	Put your garbage to the side and wait for the bell	Bring your own cutlery	When you are finished eating find something quiet to do

On The Playground We Are...

SAFE

Keep hands and feet to self

Feet first & One at a time on the slide

Follow adult instructions

Stay on school property

RESPECTFUL	Use kind and polite words	Let others join in	Take care of people, places and things	Help younger students
RESPONSIBLE	Make good choices	K, 1 & 2 on Blue and Yellow equipment	Come straight in at the bell	Look after playground equipment

2.02 BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT

The RETSD adheres to the "Code of Conduct" to promote a healthy school culture. RETSD believes that all staff, parents and students have a responsibility to maintain a safe, caring, and respectful environment where everyone has the right to be treated with dignity and respect. Students, parents, and staff are to behave in a respectful manner and comply with this code.

Our school's Lunch Program has some basic expectations that students are expected to follow, as outlined above, to ensure a safe, orderly, and relaxing atmosphere for all lunch program participants. These expectations are reviewed continuously with all students throughout the year. Students who struggle to follow the expectations are given reminders and encouragement to behave, but in some situations, where problems persist, the Lunch Program Coordinator, in consultation with School Administration, will implement the following procedure:

- 1. The Supervisor will speak to the student about the problem.
- 2. In the case of ongoing unacceptable behaviour or in the event of a serious incident, an incident report will be filled out, submitted to the Coordinator and the administration will be informed. Administration will contact the parent/guardian. A continuum of strategies will be used as a response to lunch time behaviour issues. These could include verbal reminders, lunch recess timeout or lunch in an alternative location.
- 3. Should the unacceptable behaviour continue, the student may lose lunch privileges and as per RETSD policy, any alternate lunch arrangements are exclusively the responsibility of the parents/guardians.

Thank you!

You made it to the end! We appreciate your support and cooperation - experience shows that policies like this are effective in ensuring students conduct themselves in a reasonable manner, with few students losing lunch program privileges. Please keep this package for your records.