

PARENT-RUN USER-PAY LUNCH SUPERVISION PROGRAMS

The care and supervision of children during midday break is a fundamental parental responsibility. River East Transcona School Division (RETSD) supports the establishment and operation of non-profit, user-pay, supervised lunch programs within our schools to assist parents in the fulfillment of this responsibility. These programs are facilitated through Organizing Committees of parents to assist in securing a safe, supervised environment for children during the midday break.

Parent and School Collaboration

- (1) The Organizing Committee shall collaborate with the school principal or their designate to ensure the lunch program aligns with RETSD policies.

Organizing Committee Responsibilities

- (1) Each Organizing Committee must develop policies, practices, and procedures based on RETSD-provided information outlined in *JLIA-R*.
- (2) The Organizing Committee must produce a budget structured to account for all planned expenditures and prevent the accumulation of surpluses.
- (3) The lunch program must not be used as a fundraising mechanism for itself, the school, any parent council, or advisory group.

Alternative Supervision Models

- (1) Schools without user-pay lunch supervision programs may continue to operate with a volunteer-based supervision structure.

RETSD Funding

- (1) RETSD shall provide funds to programs to supervise students it is obligated to transport. The reimbursement rate shall match the fee charged to other students enrolled in the program at the school.
- (2) If the school has a volunteer-based supervision structure, RETSD will provide funding proportionate to the number of students it is required to transport. These funds must be used for operating expenses rather than supervision salaries.

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