

What about meal plans?

Spring 2009 meal plans expire *July 19, 2009*

How does the meal plan work?

The meal plan works like the debit card you might use with your checking or savings account. The balance in your **Dining Dollars** account decreases by the amount of your purchase. If the balance of your account totals \$100 and you purchase items in Founders' Café that total \$4.00, your balance decreases to \$96.00.

What are Dining Dollars?

Dining Dollars spend like cash and are the funds you have available to purchase the best campus food around.

How do I access my Dining Dollars?

The **Shield**, your campus ID, is your ticket to **Dining Dollars**. The **Shield** acts as a debit card for **Dining Dollars**. Simply give The **Shield** to the cashier when you check out and the value of your purchase will be deducted.

Must I purchase the meal plan?

If you are a dormitory resident you are required to purchase **Dining Dollars** each semester. The required amounts are:

- Boyce Dorm-Residents - \$850
- SBTS Dorm-Residents - \$400

How do I pay for the required Dining Dollars?

Required **Dining Dollars** will be billed to your student account with your dormitory charges. Payment will be made during matriculation. FACTS can be used to pay for the required **Dining Dollars** meal plan. If you wish to use FACTS, verify that your total includes the \$850 or \$400 charge.

Why would I want to purchase additional Dining Dollars?

There are several advantages to using Dining Dollars.

- Students will receive a tax savings of 6% from the regular retail price.
- It's safer. There's no need to worry about losing cash or a credit card.
- It's an effective budgeting tool. You can set a monthly or semester allowance and know that funds are available.

How do I purchase additional Dining Dollars?

Additional Dining Dollars can be purchased at:

- Campus Center, the Shield's web portal: <https://theshield.sbts.edu/cgi-bin/login.exe>
- Fifth and Broadway

- Accounting Services window.

Dining Dollars, do they expire?

Yes...and No. Required Dining Dollars expire on the following schedule...

- **Fall semester.** Required Dining Dollars expire at the end of the following January J-Term- *January 18, 2009*. You will forfeit any of the remaining \$850 or \$400.
- **Spring Semester.** Required Dining Dollars expire at the end of the following Summer J-Term- *July 19, 2007*. You will forfeit any of the remaining \$850 or \$250.
- **Voluntary Dining Dollars and Shield Spending Dollars** *NEVER* expire. Voluntary Dining Dollars and any remaining balance in your Shield Spending Account will be refunded in accordance with current SBTS policy when your relationship with SBTS ends—usually at graduation or withdrawal.

How can I check my account balances?

Shield account balances can be checked at the Campus Center web portal: <https://theshield.sbts.edu/cgi-bin/login.exe>.

Does The Shield offer additional accounts, or just Dining Dollars?

The **Shield** currently has three active student accounts...

- Required **Dining Dollars**
- Voluntary or Additional **Dining Dollars**
- The **Shield** Spending Account. This account can be used anywhere the **Shield** is accepted for payment.