



## 2023-2024 Meal Plans

MEAL PLAN	MEALS	DINING DOLLARS	COST PER SEMESTER
 Dragonfire 7	Unlimited 7 days per week	\$25	\$2,310 With MVP: \$2,370
 Dragonfire 5	Unlimited 5 days per week (Monday-Friday)	\$75	\$2,310 With MVP: \$2,370
Green & Gold	9 per week	\$600	\$2,310
Gold Block 75	75	\$250	\$985
Gold Block 25	25	\$300	\$540
Dining Dollars	-	\$530	\$530

 denotes a meal plan eligible for the MVP upgrade

Students may choose a primary and secondary plan:

- Dining Dollars may be secondary to any plan
- Dining Dollars may be chosen as a primary and secondary plan (totaling \$1,020)
- Gold Block plans may be chosen as primary/secondary to each other
- A student with Dining Dollars as their primary plan may choose any plan as their secondary

Meal Plan Requirements:

- Freshmen\* living on-campus
  - Must choose the Green & Gold or a Dragonfire plan
  - Will automatically be enrolled in Dragonfire 7 should they not pick their plan
- Non-Freshmen living on-campus
  - Must choose any meal plan listed above
  - Will automatically be enrolled in Gold Block 25 should they not pick their plan
- Enrolled students not residing on campus and University employees may elect to purchase any one of the meal plans during fall and spring semesters.

\*Freshmen are defined as first-year students who reside on campus and meet the following criteria:

- Graduated high school within the last 4 academic years
- Entered UAB with less than 12 credit hours taken at another university after high school graduation
- Have not attended UAB during a previous academic year, excluding the summer term immediately preceding the academic year in question

#### Meal Equivalency:

- **Take 3** Exchange: One meal swipe may be used per meal period\* to purchase a Take 3 meal in the C-Store and The Grid ( includes entree, side, and drink)
- **MVP** Exchange:
  - Available as an add-on to the Dragonfire plans for an additional \$60 per semester
  - Allows the customer to exchange one meal swipe per day for a value of up to \$7.00 at select retail locations (Einstein Bros. Bagels, Magic City Eats, The Den, WOW American Eats, and Moe's Southwest Grill.)

#### \*Meal Periods:

- Breakfast 7:00 AM-10:30 AM
- Lunch 10:30 AM-4:00 PM
- Dinner 4:00 PM-10: 00 AM

#### Guest Passes:

- Meals are exclusive to the meal plan holder aside from designated guest passes:
  - Dragonfire and Gold Block Plans: You may use up to 15 meals per semester for your dining guests.
  - Green & Gold Plan: You may use up to one of your meals each week for your dining guests.
- Dining Dollars may be used for guests at any time in any UAB Campus Dining location.

#### Meal Limits:

- Green & Gold Plan and Gold Block Plan holders may use up to five meals per day.
- The Green & Gold Plan resets to nine meals on Sunday at midnight.
- Dragonfire Plan holders may not use more than one meal per fifteen minutes.

#### Active Dates:

- Fall Meal Plans
  - Start on Wednesday, August 16, 2023
  - End on Friday, December 8, 2023

# Dragon Cash

Each academic year, all enrolled students living on campus and all undergraduate students taking twelve (12) or more credit hours who do not reside on campus will be assessed a \$225 Campus Dining Fee during fall and spring semesters.

Full-time non-residential students taking six hours or less on campus during a given semester may be exempt from the Campus Dining Fee during that semester. Courses offered online (excluding “blended” courses) or at a location more than 100 miles away from UAB’s campus are considered off-campus when determining eligibility for a waiver.

Enrolled students not assessed the Campus Dining Fee may elect to add \$225 to their Dragon Cash account during fall and spring semesters by sending an email to [uabdining@uab.edu](mailto:uabdining@uab.edu).

Campus Dining Fee funds can be accessed through the students Dragon Cash account. Dragon Cash is a declining balance account that can be used for purchases at all [UAB dining facilities](#).

Funds in the student’s Dragon Cash account will roll over during the terms included in one academic year (i.e. fall to spring to summer). After the last class day of summer semester, 25% of any remaining balance in a student’s Dragon Cash account will be converted to BlazerBucks before the Dragon Cash account is cleared out in preparation for the upcoming academic year.

The Dragon Cash account is used for accessing Campus Dining Fee funds only. Individuals who wish to add additional funds can do so through their [BlazerBucks](#) account.

Dragon Cash important dates:

- Fall 2023:
  - Able to begin using on Wednesday, August 16, 2023
- Spring 2024:
  - Spring funds available for use starting Saturday, January 6, 2024
- Summer 2024:
  - Annual funds converted on Monday, August 11, 2024
    - 25% converted to BlazerBucks
    - 75% cleared from account