

School Meals Application Information

West Sonoma County Union High School District (WSCUHSD) is proud to participate in the Child Nutrition National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs providing nutritious meals snacks and beverages based on the USDA Dietary Guidelines for students. The process is confidential and will not be shared, nor will students who qualify be overtly identified in any way.

Due to State Funding Formulas, we encourage ALL families to apply, even if you don't think you will qualify or if you elect not to participate in the meal programs. Not completing the application can negatively impact WSCUHSD funding since data received from applications help to determine funding for many of the schools programs.

A **Foster Child** who is the legal responsibility of the court or welfare agency can receive free meals regardless of the HOUSEHOLD's income. If you have a foster child living with you, please mark an "X" in the appropriate column.

If you receive **CalFRESH, CalWorks, FDPIR**, are in a federally defined low income bracket you may receive free meals at school. We encourage you to submit an application online or at your school site. Application packets are available at your child's school office, cafeteria, or at WSCUHSD office: 462 Johnson Street, Sebastopol, 95472.

***Please Note:** If you are filling out a paper application, it must be complete in PEN on an original form in order to process your application. Additional instructions to complete applications are located on your school sites Food Service Web Page under the Free/Reduced Meal Application link.

Did You Know:

Meal eligibility is not just about food. Students and school districts alike can receive additional funding and grants according to eligibility.

- **Students/Families:** Additional funding streams to assist districts in providing needed educational services. Many utility programs offer discounted rates for families eligible for meal programs.
- **Districts/Schools:** Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) some Federal and State funds are determined from meal eligibility statistics. It is in your child's and the District's best interest to complete the application whether or not you believe you are eligible or not, and whether or not you plan to participate in the School Lunch and Breakfast program

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You may also apply online at www.school lunchapp.com. Once you have applied for the meal program a results letter will be sent to your home within ten business days.

Student Meal Accounts and Payment Options:

- Cash
- Check
- Online: Debit/Credit card or by check. www.myschoolbucks.com
 - Online payments are a simple, safe and secure way to prepay, make payments, and monitor transactions to your students account 24/7 for your convenience. We encourage all families to set up a MySchoolBucks account as prepaid meal accounts help the lunch lines move quickly and gives students more time to relax and refuel.
 - Please note: there is a \$1.95 service fee per transaction
 - When setting up an account, you will need your student's **PERMANENT ID NUMBER**. This number is available on the student's schedule and in the Aeries student portal. If you do not have access to either, you can contact the Food Service Department.
 - MySchoolBucks link is also available on your school sites food service Web page.
 - Funds cannot be transferred from another school district to WSCUHSD via www.myschoolbucks.com. Parents will need to request the remaining balance from the prior school district, then deactivate previous account and open a new account with WSCUHSD.



Please contact the Food Service Department with questions of for assistance 707-824-2338

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