

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING

A household member is any child or adult living with you.

IF YOUR HOUSEHOLD RECEIVES BENEFITS FROM THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) OR OHIO WORKS FIRST (OWF), FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

- Step 1:** List all household members and the school name and grade level for each child.
- Step 2:** List the 7-digit case number for any household member (including adults) receiving SNAP or OWF benefits.
- Step 3:** Skip this step.
- Step 4:** Sign and date the application. Fill in the last 4 digits of your social security number above your signature if you want to. The social security digits are not necessary.
- Step 5:** Answer yes or no and sign your name if you would like the application to be checked by school officials to determine if the child(ren) qualifies for a school instructional fee waiver. Sign again for the School Fee Waiver Consent. You can list the last four digits of a Social Security Number if you want to (just above your signature) but listing your social security number is not necessary.
- Step 6:** We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals.

IF NO ONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD RECEIVES SNAP OR OWF BENEFITS AND IF ANY CHILD IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS HOMELESS, MIGRANT OR RUNAWAY, FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

- Step 1:** List all household members and the school name and school grade level for each child. If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway, check the appropriate box and call or email Todd Scott, Operations Manager at scott.todd@oakwoodschoools.org or call 937-297-5332.
- Step 2:** Skip this step.
- Step 3:** Complete only if any child in your household is not homeless, migrant or runaway. See Instruction for all other households.
- Step 4:** Sign the form. The last four digits of a Social Security Number are not necessary if you did not need to complete in step 4.
- Step 5:** Answer yes or no and sign your name if you would like the application to be checked by school officials to determine if the child(ren) qualifies for a school instructional fee waiver.
- Step 6:** We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals.

IF YOU APPLY FOR A FOSTER CHILD, FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

If all children in the household are foster children:

- Step 1:** List all foster children and the school name and grade level for each child. Check the box that indicates the child is a foster child.
- Step 2:** Skip this step.
- Step 3:** Skip this step.
- Step 4:** Sign and date the form. You can fill out the last 4 digits of your social security number above your signature, but this is not required.
- Step 5:** Answer yes or no and sign your name if you would like the application to be checked by school officials to determine if the child(ren) qualifies for a school instructional fee waiver.
- Step 6:** We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals.

If some children in the household are foster children:

- Step 1:** List all household members and the school name and school grade level for each child. For any person, including children, with no income, you must check the "No Income" box. Check the box if the child is a foster child. If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway check the appropriate box and call Todd Scott, Operations Manager at 20 Rubicon Rd., Oakwood, Ohio 45409 or call 937-297-5332.
- Step 2:** If the household does not have a 7-digit SNAP or OWF case number, skip this step.
- Step 3:** Follow these instructions to report total household income from this month or last month.
- **Box 1–Name:** List all household members with income.
- Box 2 –Gross Income and how often it was received:** For each household member, list each type of income received for the month. Check the appropriate box to note how often the person receives the income - weekly, every other week, twice a month, or monthly. For earnings, list the gross income - not the take-home pay. Gross income is the amount earned *before* taxes and other deductions and can be found on pay stubs. For other income, list the amount and check the box to note how often each person received assistance from welfare, child support, alimony, pensions, retirement, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veteran's benefits (VA

benefits), and disability benefits. Under *All Other Income*, list Worker's Compensation, unemployment or strike benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household and any other income. Do not include income from SNAP, FDPIR, WIC, federal education benefits and foster payments received by the family from the placing agency. For ONLY the self-employed, report income after expenses under *Earnings from Work*. This is for your business, farm, or rental property. If you are in the Military Privatized Housing Initiative or receive combat pay, do not include these allowances as income.

Step 4: Adult household member must sign the form and list the last four digits of their Social Security Number (or mark the box if he or she does not have one).

Step 5: Answer yes or no and sign your name if you would like the application to be checked by school officials to determine if the child(ren) qualifies for a school instructional fee waiver.

Step 6: We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals.

ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS (INCLUDING WIC HOUSEHOLDS) FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

Step 1: List all household members and the school name and grade level for each child. For any person, including children, with no income, you must check the "No Income Box." : If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway check the appropriate box and call Todd Scott, Operations Manager at 20 Rubicon Rd., Oakwood, Ohio 45409 or call 937-297-5332. If not, skip this step.

Step 2: If the household does not have a 7-digit SNAP or OWF case number, skip this step.

Step 3: Follow these instructions to report total household income from this month or last month.

Box 1 – Name: List all household members with income.

Box 2 – Gross Income and how often it was received: For each household member, list each type of income received for the month. Check the box to note how often the person receives the income - weekly, every other week, twice a month, or monthly. For earnings, be sure to list the gross income - not take-home pay. Gross income is the amount earned *before* taxes and other deductions and can be found on pay stubs. For other income, list the amount and check the box to note how often each person received assistance from welfare, child support, alimony, pensions, retirement, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veteran's benefits (VA benefits), and disability benefits. Under *All Other Income*, list Worker's Compensation, unemployment or strike benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household and any other income. Do not include income from SNAP, FDPIR, WIC, federal education benefits and foster payments received by the family from the placing agency. For ONLY the self-employed, report income after expenses under *Earnings from Work*. This is for your business, farm, or rental property. If you are in the Military Privatized Housing Initiative or receive combat pay, do not include these allowances as income.

Step 4: An adult household member must sign the form and list the last four digits of their Social Security Number (or mark the box if he or she does not have one).

Step 5: Answer yes or no and sign your name if you would like the application to be checked by school officials to determine if the child(ren) qualifies for a school instructional fee waiver.

Step 6: We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals.