



2020-21 School Meals Program

August 14, 2020

Dear Albemarle County Public Schools Families:

Beginning **September 8, 2020**, school meals (including breakfast and lunch) will be available to all students enrolled in Albemarle County Public Schools (ACPS). Siblings of students will no longer be eligible to receive meals once our spring/summer meal service ends on August 28.

2020-21 Meal Prices

Breakfast can be purchased at full price for **\$1.55** and lunch will be **\$2.90** for elementary and **\$3.15** for middle and high. Students approved for reduced-price meals can buy breakfast for **\$0.30** and lunch for **\$0.40**. Meals will be provided free of charge to students who are approved for free meals.

NEW THIS YEAR: REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

If you would like your child to receive school breakfast and/or lunch on any school day, you must register your child for our student meal program by **August 21, 2020**, using the 2020-21 School Meals Sign-Up Form at <https://survey.k12insight.com/r/9G9EuU>.

You may opt for your child to receive school meals whether your child is beginning the school year through virtual learning or in-person access. Meals will be available on scheduled school days according to the 2020-21 School Year Calendar at www.k12albemarle.org/calendar.

- **Students participating in virtual learning** will pick up meals at their bus stop each day at an assigned midday delivery time. Bus routes for meal delivery will be developed based on registration. Once routes have been established, the school division will communicate the location and approximate time meals will be delivered to your child. Bus routes also will be posted in Parent Portal on September 7.
- **Students returning to school through in-person access** will receive meals at their school site.

Each day, students will have access to a lunch for that day and/or a breakfast for the following day. **Your child's account will only be charged for the meals that are received.**

Families who would like to participate in our student meal program, but do not register by August 21 through the 2020-21 School Meals Sign-Up Form at <https://survey.k12insight.com/r/9G9EuU>, can register to receive meals by contacting Child Nutrition by email at FSRV@k12albemarle.org or by phone at 434-295-0566. **Please note:** Additions or changes made after August 21 for students receiving meals by bus delivery could take up to 10 school days after school starts to take effect.

Menus

School menus will be posted on the Child Nutrition website at www.k12albemarle.org/childnutrition and provided during meal distribution the first week of school.

Payment

In an effort to minimize person-to-person transactions and to keep meal distribution efficient and on-time, school meals should be paid online through the MySchoolBucks website at www.myschoolbucks.com. There is no cost to set up a MySchoolBucks account, and convenience fees will be waived during the 2020-21 school year. In addition to making payments, MySchoolBucks enables you to view and manage your child's transactions and even set up low-balance notifications.

If your circumstances limit you to cash, please contact Child Nutrition by email at FSRV@k12albemarle.org or by phone at 434-295-0566 to coordinate payment.

2020-21 Free and Reduced Meal Application

Families can apply to receive free or reduced meal benefits using the SchoolLunchApp at <http://albemarlechildnutrition.schoollunchapp.com/> on the Child Nutrition website at www.k12albemarle.org/childnutrition or by completing a paper application. **Important:** Families must reapply each school year. Eligibility from the 2019-20 school year will expire after the first 30 days of the new school year.

We encourage families to apply online for faster processing. Plus, the online application is available in multiple languages using the drop-down menu at the top of the application.

Paper applications are available for pick up at each school and will be available on bus routes. Paper applications may be returned directly to your child's school or submitted to one of our school bus drivers or returned by postal mail to the Child Nutrition Office at 1180 Seminole Place, Suite 225A, Charlottesville VA 22901.

Questions

If you have any questions, please visit the Child Nutrition website at www.k12albemarle.org/childnutrition, email us at FSRV@k12albemarle.org, or call us at 434-295-0566.

Thank you.