

# STONINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear SPS Families & Students,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year! Stonington Public Schools participates in the National School Breakfast (NSB) and National School Lunch Program (NSLP). Our program offers meals in the building and we will be providing pick up meals for hybrid learning days as well as for all distance learners and meals requirement payment.

**At this time, all Stonington students will have access to breakfast and lunch at no cost to families!** USDA has approved funding through December 31, 2020 to pay for reimbursable meals for our in school hybrid and distance learners. However, if your child brings lunch from home milk is \$0.50. Starting in October, we will also begin to sell limited a la carte items. Please see below for payment methods.

### ***Payment Methods:***

1. Cash in an envelope with your child's full name or 4-digit PIN.
2. Check made out to SPS Food Services with child's full name or 4-digit PIN on the "Memo" line.
3. Online payments using EZ-Pay, [www.spsezpay.com/stonington](http://www.spsezpay.com/stonington). You will need your child's student 7 or 8-ID number to set this up. This information can be obtained from the front office or feel free to contact me directly
4. Any unused balances will carry over to the following school year or may be transferred into a different account at the parent/guardian's request.

### ***Meal Options***

Under guidance of USDA and the CT Child Nutrition Department, we will be distributing meals for both hybrid and distance learners in addition to providing meals in the building.

1. We will offer hot meals on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday to the students in each building.
2. Hybrid learners are eligible for 3 breakfasts and lunches for their at-home learning days.
  - a. ***Meals may only be picked up by a parent or guardian.***
  - b. Cohort A students (in building Monday & Tuesday) can pick up meals at SHS on Wednesdays from 8-9:30 am. High school students who will be driving to pick up their meals will have an excused absence.
  - c. Meals must be pre-ordered via Google document no later than 9 am on Tuesdays.
  - d. Cohort B students (in building Thursday & Friday) can pick up meals at SHS on Mondays from 8-9:30 am. High school students who will be driving to pick up their meals will be able to do so during Task block.
  - e. Meals must be pre-ordered via Google document no later than 9 am on Fridays.
3. Distance learners are eligible for 5 breakfasts and lunches.

- a. ***Meals may only be picked up by a parent or guardian.***
  - b. Pick up will be held at SHS on Mondays from 8-9:30 am
  - c. Meals must be pre-ordered via Google document no later than 9 am on Wednesdays.
4. For the ***first week of school only***, we will have 1-day and 3-day meal pick up.
  - a. ***Meals may only be picked up by a parent or guardian.***
  - b. Tuesday, 9/8/20-Distance Learners and Cohort B students can pick up breakfast and/or lunch, SHS, 8-9 am at the auditorium entrance.
  - c. Wednesday, 9/9/20, Cohort B students can pick up a 1-day meal at SHS, 8-9:30 am at the auditorium entrance, Distance Learners and Cohort A students pick up 3-day meals.
5. The link for online meal ordering is ***<https://forms.gle/e7ZZa5j6R7UXg7tp8>***.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time with questions or concerns. Thank you for supporting our school meals program and here's to a nutritious year!

With highest regard,

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