

**Lower Merion School District**

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PRICE MEALS FOR STUDENTS  
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The District encourages participation in programs for federally reimbursable meals or snacks in a manner that is respectful of the students and their families' privacy and dignity. The Director of Nutritional Services is the official designated to determine which children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Information regarding application for this program is provided to families upon enrollment in the District and at the beginning of each school year. Additionally, the information is published on the District's website and will be provided upon request to the Director of Nutritional Services.

The Federal and State minimum income poverty guidelines as supplied by the Department of Education shall serve as the eligibility standards to be used in determining those applicants who are unable to pay the full price of meals served by the District. These guidelines are available in the office of the Director of Nutritional Services.

Any family with a child or children in attendance in the Lower Merion public schools located within the boundary line of the Lower Merion School District is eligible to submit an application for free or reduced-price meals to the Director of Nutritional Services. Unless released by the applicant, or in accordance with legal or judicial requirements, information concerning an individual's eligibility for free and reduced priced meals remains confidential with the Department of Nutritional Services.

**Cross Reference:**

- LMSD Policy & Administrative Regulation 152 (Participation in Curricular Programs and Activities by Economically Disadvantaged Students)