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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Parkland School District is pleased to inform you that we will be participating in the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) in the 2021-2022 school year. This program is available to schools and districts as part of the waivers issued by USDA on April 20, 2021.

All enrolled students of Parkland School District are eligible to receive a nutritional breakfast and lunch each school day at **no charge** to your household.

No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without paying a fee or submitting an application. However, parents are encouraged to complete new meal benefit applications for the 2021/2022 school year. By completing an application, families may have access to continued P-EBT benefits, free internet service, carry over benefits for the next school year, and give the school district additional opportunities for other funding sources. In Spring 2020, the U.S. Congress created the Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) Program to help families buy food while schools were closed due to COVID-19. This program gives students with free and reduced-price meal benefits through the National School Lunch Program (or NSLP) funding for meals they missed while being out of school.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at 610-351-5670.

Sincerely,

Lori A. Seier

Director, Food Services

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

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