

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING SCHOOL MEALS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued waivers to Child Nutrition Programs across the country allowing schools to offer free meals to students.

These waivers expired on June 30, 2022. As a result, child nutrition programs nationwide will be returning to pre- pandemic operations. Arcanum-Butler families will once again be asked to complete and submit a Free/Reduced Meal Application in order to qualify for assistance for the 2022-2023 school year. Applications will be extremely important and necessary for students in order to obtain meal assistance and to have school fees reduced or waived. If your child was approved through the free/reduced lunch application process last year, they will retain the status for 30 days after the first day of school or until a new application is turned in.

To ensure their child is ready to start the 2022-23 school year, parents/guardians can complete an application when registration using Final Forms and answering “yes” when asked about the interest in the Free/Reduced Lunch Program. Additionally, forms will be sent home in our first day packets, are available in the school offices, or can be accessed on the Arcanum-Butler Local Schools website (<https://www.arcanum-butler.k12.oh.us/>), choose the “Cafeteria” link located on the left side of the page under the “Quick Links” section. These meal applications need to be completed in entirety and returned to the school or the Food Service Office.

Please note that the district also has a new online payment system. Use the Titan Link available on the family portal to add funds to your students’ accounts.

The Arcanum-Butler Food Service Department is committed to assisting families and making this transition back to normal operations as easy as possible. Please feel free to contact our office at 937.692.5174, ext. 1138 if you have any questions or need assistance.