

# School Breakfast & Lunch

## Preparing for the 2022-2023 School Year

Dear Parents,

For the past two years, the USDA has offered waivers to Child Nutrition (CN) Programs across the United States, allowing these programs to offer all students breakfast and lunch at no cost to you. Unfortunately, these waivers expired on June 30, 2022.

Starting next school year (22-23), CN programs across the nation will return to normal, pre-pandemic operations. Families will once again be asked to complete and submit a current school year Free/Reduced Meal Application if they would like to see if their students qualify based on income. In past years, the first 30 days of the school year carry over status from the previous school year. Since very few meal applications were submitted over the past two years, here is what you can do to ensure your child(s) is ready to start the 22-23 school year.

**The new 22-23 meal application is enclosed. Please complete and send back.** These meal applications need to be completed every school year in entirety and returned to the student's home school office or food service department. This will cover your child(s) for the entire 22-23 school year and no other steps will be necessary unless there is an income change during the school year.

Reminder the USDA's 22-23 meal application is available, and they may be completed in the following ways:

Application is enclosed

Meal applications can be picked up in any of the school offices

Print application from the MASD website:

<http://www.masd.info/highschool/cafe/FreeAndReducedApplication2022-2023.pdf>

Meal applications can be completed online: <https://mealapp.lunchtimesoftware.net/>

**Breakfast costs \$1.25; lunch costs \$2.55. Your child(ren) may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$.30 for breakfast and \$.40 for lunch.** This packet includes an application for free and reduced-price meal benefits, and a set of detailed instructions.

We're committed to working tirelessly to provide high-quality, nutritious, healthy, and well-balanced meals to all students. You and your child/children's well-being has always been our highest priority, and we're committed to help making this transition back to everyday operations as seamless as possible.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

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