



SOUTH HADLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back students and families! We are excited to inform you that schools/districts that qualify for CEP will continue to receive FREE school meals for the School Year 2024-2025.

South Hadley Public School is one of many Massachusetts schools that qualified for Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). Community eligibility allows for a healthier student body. It is no longer necessary for families to fill out a Free and Reduced Lunch Application. Students are run through the state Virtual Gateway monthly to see if they qualify for any benefits that are available through the state.

A Supplemental Income form is available for families that do not qualify for benefits directly through the state and feel they qualify based on income guidelines. We strongly encourage ALL families who feel they qualify based on the income guidelines listed on the supplemental income form to submit this form as it allows us to waive/reduce various fees such as transportation or sports fees etc. The Supplemental Income form can be found on the school's website. Please return this form to: Michael E. Smith Middle School, ATTN: Lunch Program, 100 Mosier Street South Hadley MA 01075

(NOTE: If you are seeking financial assistance over the summer months, then you need to submit the form through the DESE website).

If you are interested, please consider applying for SNAP, the federal nutrition program that provides eligible residents with monthly financial assistance to purchase groceries. More SNAP information can be found at gettingsnap.org or by calling Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333.

It is our privilege to provide breakfast and lunch to your children, supporting them with nourishing and healthy meals to power through the school day! We can't wait to see them in the coming weeks. Please reach out with any questions or concerns that you may have.

Best
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