

Discounts Available... APPLY TODAY!



The Application for Educational Benefits offers families the opportunity to receive various DISCOUNTS & FREE services.

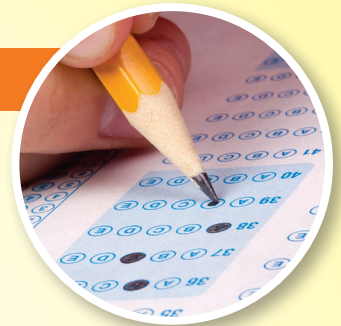


INTERNET ACCESS

Eligible for discounted internet access services.

AP TESTS

Reduced registration fee for AP tests.



COLLEGE APPLICATION FEES

Discounted rate on fees associated with applying for college.



SCHOOL FUNDING

Helps the school qualify for education funds and discounts.



MOST SPORTS/ACTIVITIES

Free or discounted pay-to-participate sport and activity fees.

OTHER BENEFITS

Potential discounts on utility bills, driver's ed, field trips, Summer EBT



WBLAS families can complete the application any time.

Applying online is fast and secure at schoolcafe.com/isd624.

Visit the WBLAS Nutrition Services web page to download a paper application at isd624.org/departments/nutrition-services

Application for Educational Benefits

Apply today to qualify for benefits

Our school offers healthy meals each day. **We are a part of Minnesota's Free School Meals Program, which means that all students can get one breakfast and one lunch free of charge each day at school.**

Although no application is required to receive this free meal benefit, filling out the Application for Educational Benefits is still important because your child(ren) may qualify for other benefits such as reduced sports/activity fees, reduced internet access and utility bills, reduced AP test registration and college application fees, reduced drivers training and more!

Your application may also help the school qualify for discounts, other meal programs, and educational funds.



Common Questions

My child's application was approved last year. Do I need to fill out a new one? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first 30 school days of the new school year.

Why is it important to turn in the Application for Educational Benefits as soon as possible?

Students who qualify may receive benefits such as lower or no fees for activities, some field trips, testing and more. Also, applications help our school receive federal funding. Applications sent after the fall deadline will not help schools receive that federal funding. In short, your school loses money.

Who should complete this application?

Children in households participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), and foster, homeless, migrant and runaway children qualify without reporting household income. Alternatively, children can get free educational benefits if their household income is within the maximum income shown for their household size on the instructions.

I get WIC or Medical Assistance. Can my children get benefits?

Children in households participating in WIC or Medical Assistance do not automatically qualify for benefits. Please fill out an application. Children may be eligible depending on other household financial information.

Who should I include as household members?

Include yourself and all other people living in the household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends).

May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen?

Yes. You or your children do not have to be U.S. citizens for you to complete an application.

What if my income is not always the same?

List the amount that you normally get. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get overtime only sometimes. For seasonal work, write in the total annual income.

Will the income information or case number I give be checked?

It may be. You may be asked to send written proof.

How will the information be kept?

Information you provide on the form, and your child's approval, will be protected as private data. For more information, see the back page of the Application for Educational Benefits.

If I don't qualify now, may I apply later?

Yes. Please complete an application at any time if your income goes down, your household size goes up, or you start getting SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR benefits.

Instructions

To apply, go to isd624.org or and follow these steps:

- At the top of the page click on "Our Schools" and select your child's school.
- On the school home page select "Support" in the dark orange bar at the top of the page.
- Select "App for Educational Benefits (formerly Free/Reduced Lunch)" This will take you directly to the online application.
- Once you are there, create or log in to your account and fill out the application and hit the "submit my application" button.

Visit isd624.org/departments/nutrition-services for an instructional video and quick card under the Education Benefits Tab.

To request a paper copy of the application, contact us by phone at 651-407-7515 or by email at nutritionservices@isd624.org.



Or scan this QR code to go directly to the application.



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