



# Carlisle Public Schools

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We want to update you with exciting news about universal free school meals. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has decided to extend free school meals for all students through the 2024-2025 school year! This means lunch will continue to be served at no cost to all students.

Please note that even though meals will be free for all, it is very important for families to still complete the household Application for Free and Reduced Price Meals for the 2024-2025 school year. You can view and complete the application located on our website. We strongly encourage ALL families to submit this form as it allows us to establish eligibility for P-EBT benefits and potential fee waivers for those who qualify as well as to serve families most effectively.

In addition, 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](http://gettingsnap.org) or by calling Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333.

As always, we are grateful for the opportunity to provide nourishing and healthy meals to all Carlisle students so please reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

Best,

LaVon Mitchell

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