

San Mateo Union High School District Announces Free and Reduced-Price Meals in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs School Year 2018-2019

San Mateo Union High School District announces its policy to serve nutritious meals every school day under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP). Effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals if the household income is less than or equal to the federal guidelines.

FREE and REDUCED PRICE SCALES											
Free Eligibility Scale Meals, Snacks, and Milk						Reduced-price Eligibility Scale Meals and Snacks					
Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly	Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$15,782	\$1,316	\$658	\$607	\$304	1	\$22,459	\$1,872	\$936	\$864	\$432
2	\$21,398	\$1,784	\$892	\$823	\$412	2	\$30,451	\$2,538	\$1,269	\$1,172	\$586
3	\$27,014	\$2,252	\$1,126	\$1,039	\$520	3	\$38,443	\$3,204	\$1,602	\$1,479	\$740
4	\$32,630	\$2,720	\$1,360	\$1,255	\$628	4	\$46,435	\$3,870	\$1,935	\$1,786	\$893
5	\$38,246	\$3,188	\$1,594	\$1,471	\$736	5	\$54,427	\$4,536	\$2,268	\$2,094	\$1,047
6	\$43,862	\$3,656	\$1,828	\$1,687	\$844	6	\$62,419	\$5,202	\$2,601	\$2,401	\$1,201
7	\$49,478	\$4,124	\$2,062	\$1,903	\$952	7	\$70,411	\$5,868	\$2,934	\$2,709	\$1,355
8	\$55,094	\$4,592	\$2,296	\$2,119	\$1,060	8	\$78,403	\$6,534	\$3,267	\$3,016	\$1,508
For each additional family member, add:											
	\$5,616	\$468	\$234	\$216	\$108		\$7,992	\$666	\$333	\$308	\$154

Households do not need to turn in an application when the household receives a notification letter saying that all children automatically qualify for free meals when any household member receives benefits from CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR. Children who meet the definition of foster, homeless, migrant, or runaway, and children enrolled in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals. Contact school officials if any child in the household is not on the notification letter. The household must let school officials know if they do not want to receive free or reduced-price meals.

Households that want to apply for meal benefits can go on our Student Nutrition website [SMUHSD Student Nutrition](#) and print a copy to complete and fill out **one** application for all children in the household and deliver to the nutrition office at 650 North Delaware Street, San Mateo, CA 94010. For a simple and secure method to apply, use our online application at [EZMealApplication](#). For any questions or help completing out the application contact Grace Tan at 650-558-2278. Once the application is processed, you will receive a letter of eligibility that will be mailed to the address on the application whether you were approved or denied for meal benefits.

Households may turn in an application at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now, but your household size or income changes or a household member starts receiving CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR, you may turn in an application at that time. Information given on the application will be used to determine eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school officials. The last four digits of the Social Security number from any adult household or checking that you do not have a Social Security number is required if you include income on the application.

Households that receive Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) benefits, may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals by filling out an application.

Foster children are eligible for free meals and may be included as a household member if the foster family chooses to also apply for the non-foster children on the same application. In some cases, including foster children as a household member may help the non-foster children qualify for free or reduced-price meals. If the non-foster children are not eligible, this does not keep foster children from receiving free meals.

Your child's eligibility status from last school year will continue into the new school year for up to 30 school days or until the school processes your new application or your child is otherwise certified for free or reduced-price meals. After the 30 school days, your child will have to pay full price for meals, unless the household receives a notification letter for free or reduced-price meals. School officials do not have to send reminder or expired eligibility notices.

If you do not agree with the decision or results of verification, you may discuss it with school officials. You also have the right to a fair hearing, which may be requested by calling or writing the hearing official: Elizabeth McManus, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services, 650 North Delaware Street, San Mateo, CA 94010, (650) 558-2204.

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