



Frequently Asked Questions

STUDENT & SCHOOL BENEFITS FORM

WHAT IS THE SSBF?

We ask **all** families to fill out the Student and School Benefits Form (SSBF) once each year. The form asks a few short questions about your child and household. **By completing the form, you are helping ensure your child's school receives the necessary resources for your child and their classmates.** You may also qualify your family for additional benefits through this form!

WHAT INFORMATION IS COLLECTED?

You will be asked to provide information about any children in your household who attend an MUSD TK-12 school, household size, and your total income.

HOW COULD THIS FORM BENEFIT YOUR CHILD AND FAMILY?

By completing the form, you may qualify for many significant benefits, including reduced PG&E, Comcast internet bills, waived college application and/or SAT/ACT testing fees.

Once you submit the form, you can contact our Nutrition Education Department to confirm your eligibility for benefits by calling (209) 858-0778 during business hours.

WHY DOES MUSD NEED THIS INFORMATION?

While all students receive free meals under California's Universal Meals Program, school districts are still required to document how many students would have qualified for free or reduced lunch. This information affects how state and federal funds are distributed to your child's school, as school needs are determined by the needs of their students.

SHOULD I STILL FILL OUT THE FORM IF MY HOUSEHOLD IS HIGH-INCOME?

Yes! Even if your family does not qualify for benefits based on income, by filling out the form, you are helping ensure your child's school receives appropriate funding from state and federal sources. With appropriate funding, schools can secure the services, staff, and educational programs students need - which will benefit your child and their classmates!

Need Help Filling Out the Form?

If you have any questions or need help completing the form, please contact your child's school office, scan the QR code for step-by-step instructions on filling out the SSBF, or email us at community@musd.net. **We are here to help you!** →

