

SEPTEMBER '25



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Dear DPS Families and Community Members,

I hope the cooler weather finds you well, and that everyone made it safely through the recent storms. Best wishes to all of our farmers as the harvest season begins. I hope it is both safe and successful!

I'd like to share a few reminders and updates regarding morning drop-off. Students in preschool through 6th grade are now lining up on the playground, while 7th–12th grade students wait inside the building until the 8:00 a.m. bell. Please remember that drop-off should not occur before 7:45 a.m., as staff supervision is not available prior to that time. Thank you for helping us keep all students safe.

You may have also noticed that buses are now parking behind the building, which allows more space for families to drop off students on the east end of the street near the playground. In the near future, we plan to open the east alley during morning drop-off. This will allow families to drive north to south and drop off directly at the playground gate. The alley will only be open from 7:45–8:00 a.m. each day, after which the gates will be closed. We are grateful to the Village for their flexibility in re-opening this alley for our families. Please note that no through traffic will be allowed at any other time, and vehicles will not be able to drive south to north.

The first few weeks of school have gone very well! The students and staff at DPS are truly second to none, and I feel honored to work alongside such an outstanding team. My family and I also want to thank the community for the warm welcome during our transition, it means so much to us.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming activities as we support our students and coaches throughout the fall season. I enjoy getting to know each of you, so please feel free to stop in, call, or email me anytime with questions or feedback.

Take care,

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Dr. Nick Mumm
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First off, I would like to thank everyone that has given me such a warm welcome to the Dorchester community. I have truly enjoyed getting to know everyone I've met so far. The rib cookoff was a very tasty community event. I am looking forward to it next year already!

It is so great to have the building full of kids. Dorchester is lucky to have such a great student body. The students are some of the friendliest I have ever worked with. I look forward to getting to know them better and seeing what they can do both inside and outside of school.

I can't wait for sports to get going in full force. I enjoy watching the kids compete as I know how hard they practice. Just a reminder to parents and students that they need to take care of things in the classroom in order to get those chances to compete on the field or court. There is a reason that student is the first word in the term "student-athlete."

One-Act will also be starting soon. I've heard good things about the Dorchester plays, so I'm looking forward to seeing their performances.

As the weather starts to cool off, please remember to have your student dressed appropriately for school. Students, especially the K-6, will be going outside unless the temperature feels like less than 20 degrees.

Mr. Wagner

Activity News
(Brent Zoubek, A.D.)

Booster Club Needs You

With the 2025-2026 activity season in full swing, I would like you to consider becoming a Longhorn Booster Club member. The Booster Club's intent is to make the participation of all activities for our students an enjoyable experience. Some examples of this include the purchase of new equipment, sponsorship of the annual Homecoming pep rally, paying Nebraska Coaches Association fees for Dorchester coaches, paying a portion of Hudl, and paying for meals for those athletes and coaches that qualify for State competition. Money for these projects comes from annual dues of members, as well as, the sponsorship of the annual Booster Club Junior Varsity Volleyball Tournament and Junior High Basketball Tournaments. If you have any questions regarding Booster Club, please contact me at 402-946-2781.

FOOTBALL & VOLLEYBALL TEAMS SAY THANK YOU

On behalf of the football and volleyball team we would like to say thank you to ALL who attended and donated a sports drink to the scrimmages. It was awesome to see so many fans at our Fall Sports Preview! We will use the sports drinks during practice and road games. Thanks again to everyone for donating.

Counselor's Corner
Mrs. Choyeski
September 2025

High School/Junior High

- Juniors and Seniors are allowed 2 college visit days each year. This is a great opportunity to see and feel if a college campus is a good fit for your student. When the student is called into school for the day, please mention they are going on a college visit.
- Mrs. Choyeski visited with 9th-12th grade classes in August. The junior and senior students have paperwork to be returned to the counseling office by Friday, September 5. The paperwork includes a planning sheet to help guide the student when making plans after graduating from DHS. The other paperwork is a Do Not Release Form (on bright orange paper). At times, military and college recruiters may ask for student's contact information. If the student or parents do not wish for their student's information to be provided to recruiters this form must be signed off on by the parents and returned to the counseling office.
- Various college and military representatives will visit the school throughout the year. Juniors and seniors who are interested in learning more about these opportunities are encouraged to attend. The meetings will be held in the counseling office.

Visit scheduled for September:
9/30 UN-L

- Arrangements are being made for 8th-11th grades to go on a campus visit. The purpose of this is to allow students the opportunity to be on a college campus, get a small taste of what college life is like, and to talk to an admissions representative. Information will be sent home with students closer to the date of the visit. The following campus visits have been scheduled:
 - Wednesday, September 24 - Juniors visit Doane University
 - Thursday, October 30 - Sophomores visit SECC (Lincoln)
 - October TBD - Freshmen visit Peru State College
 - March TBD - 8th grade visit Central Community College (Hastings)

- **Senior parents** – The FAFSA is scheduled to open October 1 for students who plan to attend college during the 2026–27 school year. The FAFSA is used to award scholarships, grants, and student loans. A representative from EducationQuest will be visiting DHS to speak with parents and students in the evening of Wednesday, September 24 about the FAFSA. I highly encourage all seniors and parents to attend due to FAFSA completion now being a state graduation requirement. A flier will be mailed home in the near future with more information.
- Juniors and Seniors will be attending a college fair held at Southeast Community College – Lincoln campus on Wednesday, October 1. Over 50 college and military representatives will be available for students to talk to at this event. Look for more information coming home.
- One graduation requirement is to complete 30 hours of community service while the student is in high school. Mrs. Choyeski will email opportunities to the high school students as she is made aware of them. Just a reminder, to have a Volunteer Project Form filled out, signed, and returned to Mrs. Choyeski for each activity that is completed so the time can be recorded. If a student needs a form they can get one in the Counseling Office.

ACT Test Dates

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>	<u>Late Registration</u>
October 18, 2025	September 12	September 30
December 13, 2025	November 7	November 24
February 14, 2026	January 9	January 23
April 11, 2026	March 6	March 24
June 13, 2026	May 8	May 29
July 11, 2026	June 5	June 24

Register for the ACT at www.myact.org. The ACT is \$68.00 including the English, math, and reading sections. It is \$4.00 to add on the science section and \$25.00 for the writing section. Late registration requires an additional payment of \$38.00. Fee waivers are available for students who qualify based on the guidelines set by ACT. Fee waivers can cover up to four tests and also allow access to test prep materials. Waivers can be obtained from Mrs. Choyeski. Seniors can access their OnToCollege account for additional test prep. Juniors, please see Mrs. Choyeski for OnToCollege test prep materials if you plan to take the ACT prior to the school scheduled test in April.

Many colleges are test optional, so the ACT may not be required for admission. Even if the college does not require the test for admission, they may use the ACT for determining scholarship awards. Students should check with each college they are considering to see if they would benefit from taking the ACT.

Longhorn Squares Update!

There are still squares available to purchase. Squares can be bought before each home football game prior to kickoff. Squares will not be sold during the game. The earlier a square is secured the more opportunities to win!

If a blank square is a winner at the end of a quarter or the game, the winning money will roll forward to the next payout.

Winners will be announced at the end of each quarter.

Details:

- \$25 per square for the entire football season
- Numbers across the top and along the side will change and be randomly drawn prior to each home football game.
- Numbers represent the last digit of the score for each team.
- Payouts - \$25 for the end of 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters
\$50 for the end of the game
(in the case of overtime, the overtime score will be used)
- Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards the scholarship fund



		LONGHORNS									
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O P P O N E N T	0	Jim Arline				Boone Smith		James Bond		Matt Steuf	Kyle Lehr
	1			Matt Burton	J.J. Wagner					Matt Steuf	
	2	Deb Burrows								Matt Bolton	Bonnie Almond
	3		Brian Platt	Jim Arline		Anna Roberts		Audrey Schulte		J.J. Wagner	
	4			Shane Hart	Shane Schwitzer	Clady Plank			Justi Wink	Shonda Kendall	
	5					Deb Snow					
	6	Leanne Jozoff								Bertal	
	7	Anne Smith			Tony Schwartz		Deb Burrows	Linda Watsky			
	8			Shonda Kendall							
	9		Jan Bond							Shonda Kendall	

Junior High Play

Junior High Play Season will be upon us very soon. We have chosen "Complaint Department and Lemonade" by Kamron Klitgaard produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., Denver, CO. Tryouts will be held the week of September 3-5, 2025.

The DPS Junior High Play Cast and Crew will run concessions at the volleyball game on Tuesday, September 30, 2025. We will also be hosting a raffle that evening at the game. A grant has been secured through Thrivent Financial to also help with the cost of the production.

Students who participate in the play are encouraged to come and help with concessions. There will be a sign up sheet for help closer to that time. We also ask that you bring an item for the raffle. Feel free to bring raffle items such as craft items, hobby baskets, art baskets, nacho baskets, themed baskets, etc.

We wanted to let you know ahead of time so you can start to plan. We are looking forward to the new play season!

Mrs. Vyhnalek and Mrs. Ridpath

Are you making read-aloud time the best it can be?

Reading aloud to children is crucial for helping them become better readers. It's also fun! Are you making the most of the time you spend reading with your child? Answer yes or no to each of the questions below to find out:

- 1. Do you have a regular read-aloud time together that lasts at least 20 minutes each day?
- 2. Do you make read-aloud time fun by letting family members take turns picking the books you read together?
- 2. Do you encourage your child to read a few pages aloud to you?
- 4. Do you stop reading at an exciting place so your child will want to read again the next day?
- 5. Do you sometimes pause to talk about what you've just read or to make predictions about what's about to happen?

How well are you doing?

More yes answers mean you're supporting your elementary schooler's literacy development by reading aloud together. For each no answer, try that idea in the quiz.

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¿Hace que el tiempo de lectura en voz alta sea lo mejor posible?

Leerles en voz alta a los niños es fundamental para ayudarlos a convertirse en mejores lectores. ¡Y también es divertido! ¿Está aprovechando al máximo el tiempo que pasa leyendo con su niño? Responda sí o no a las siguientes preguntas para averiguarlo:

- 1. ¿Destina un tiempo regular de al menos 20 minutos por día a leer juntos en voz alta?
- 2. ¿Permite que los miembros de la familia se turnen para escoger qué libros leer juntos para que el tiempo de lectura en voz alta sea divertido?
- 3. ¿Anima a su niño a leerle algunas páginas en voz alta a usted?
- 4. ¿Deja de leer en una parte apasionante para que su niño quiera volver a leer al día siguiente?
- 5. ¿Hace una pausa cada tanto para hablar sobre lo que acaba de leer, o para predecir lo que va a suceder a continuación?

¿Cómo le está yendo?

Si la mayoría de sus respuestas fueron sí, usted está apoyando el desarrollo de la lectoescritura de su escolar de primaria leyendo en voz alta juntos. Para cada respuesta no, pruebe la idea del cuestionario.

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Encourage Your Child To Do More Than The Bare Minimum

What if a little extra effort could lead to a lot more learning for your child? It can! Doing more than the bare minimum helps students develop:

- A deeper understanding. Going the extra mile can improve comprehension of the subject matter.
- Increased mastery. Extra practice helps new skills and knowledge stick.
- Pride in work. Putting in extra effort often results in a greater sense of accomplishment.

Try these simple ways to help your child go the extra mile with:

- Reading. When your child is given a reading assignment, suggest reading a few pages ahead.
- Projects. When your child has a project, suggest starting early and taking extra steps—such as adding a nice picture or a colorful cover.
- Math. When your child is assigned math problems, suggest trying a few extra problems.
- Science. Suggest looking up a related video or article to explore a new concept further.

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Anime a su niño a hacer más que lo mínimo indispensable

¿Y si un poco de esfuerzo extra podría hacer que su niño aprenda mucho más? ¡Es así! Hacer más que lo mínimo necesario ayuda a los estudiantes a desarrollar:

- Una comprensión más profunda. Hacer un esfuerzo adicional puede mejorar la comprensión del tema.
- Un mayor dominio. La práctica adicional ayuda a afianzar nuevas habilidades y conocimientos.
- El orgullo en el trabajo. Esforzarse un poco más da como resultado una mayor sensación de logro.

Pruebe estas maneras simples de ayudar a su niño a hacer un esfuerzo adicional con:

- La lectura. Cuando a su niño le asignen una lectura, sugiérale que adelante algunas páginas más.
- Los proyectos. Cuando su niño tenga un proyecto, sugiera que comience pronto y dé pasos adicionales, como añadir una imagen bonita o una cubierta colorida.
- Las matemáticas. Cuando le asignen problemas de matemáticas a su niño, sugiera que intente resolver algunos problemas adicionales.
- Las ciencias. Sugiera que busque un video o un artículo relacionado para explorar en mayor profundidad un nuevo concepto.

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LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER ABOUT THE DORCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY!

SEPTEMBER EDITION

TIPS FOR CHOOSING A BOOK

THE 4TH-6TH GRADE CLASSES COMPILED A LIST OF THE BEST WAYS TO CHOOSE A BOOK. THE MOST POPULAR ANSWERS WERE:

- AR LEVEL/COLOR
- FAVORITE AUTHOR
- APPEALING ILLUSTRATIONS
- PART OF A SERIES
- SUGGESTED BY A CLASSMATE OR FRIEND

SORA EBOOKS

TO ACCESS SORA EBOOKS AND AUDIOBOOKS:

- LOG INTO SCHOOL EMAIL
- CLICK ON WAFFLE AND SCROLL TO THE BOTTOM
- CLICK ON THE SORA ICON
- CHOOSE DORCHESTER UG 44
- EXPLORE THE EBOOKS AND AUDIOBOOKS AVAILABLE!

SCHEDULES

MONDAYS

KINDERGARTEN

3RD GRADE

TUESDAYS

2ND GRADE

5TH GRADE

6TH GRADE

THURSDAYS

4TH GRADE

FRIDAYS

1ST GRADE

COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER...

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

7TH: GRANDPARENT'S DAY

8TH: INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY

11TH: PATRIOT DAY

15TH: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMOCRACY

17TH: CITIZENSHIP DAY

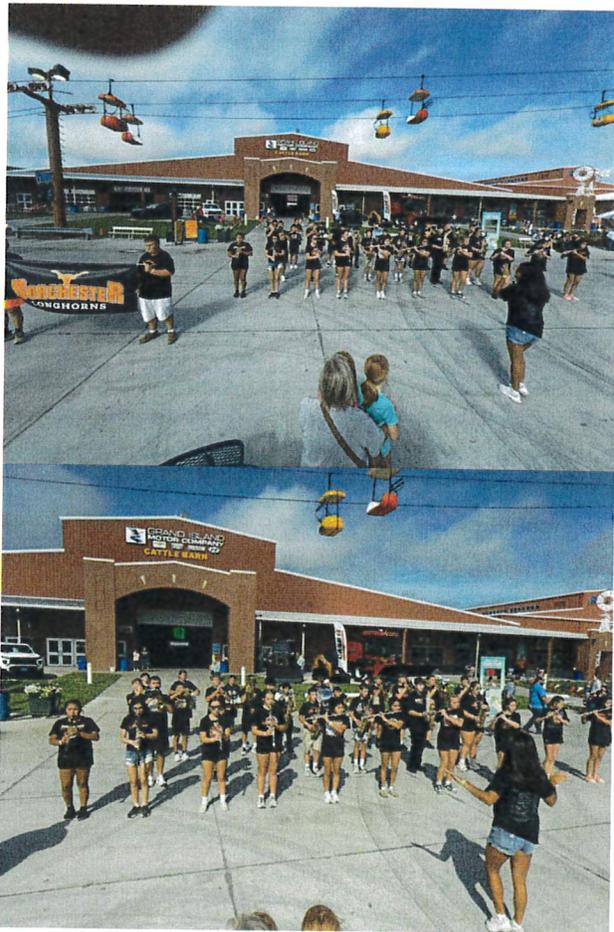
22ND: FIRST DAY OF FALL

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In the Music Room

The year is under way again here in the Longhorn Music Classroom and the first thing I want to say is how happy I am to be back as a Longhorn and how supportive everyone has been. The students are energetic and eager to learn and we have already attended our first marching exhibition at the Nebraska State Fair. On August 26th, 36 members of the Longhorn Marching Band paraded around the fairgrounds and enjoyed many of the festivities on what was one of the most pleasant days I can remember. Weather was in the 70's and the students really enjoyed seeing the sites and exhibits.



Just wanted to let all of you know about some of the Music events that are coming up this month:

-On Saturday, September 6th please come and support our Longhorn Band as they conclude their marching season at the York Fest parade in York, NE. The parade kicks off at 10:00am.

-And, on the morning of Thursday, September 11th the Elementary will perform for the Patriots Day Ceremony to be held at the Dorchester School flagpole. Please come and honor our Firefighters, Police, EMT's, and First Responders.

Student Council

Student Council met to vote on officers and discuss Spirit Week, which will be Sept. 8-12th.

Officers for this year will be:

Pres. Bailey Theis

VP---Emilia Perez

SEC---Lily Lehr

Treasurer---Livia Schweitzer

Poster Committee---Briana Tellez, Kenzie Yager, Micaela Loarca

Concessions will be for the basketball game on Jan 3rd.

Trash pickup will take place the end of September!

SPIRIT WEEK DAYS ARE LISTED IN THE HOMECOMING PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER, ALONG WITH OTHER INFORMATION FOR THAT WEEK!



ART NEWS

We are off to a great year in the art room! I just love to see how much my students grow creatively from Kindergarten to 12th grade! I just seem to forget every year that Kindergarten needs help with everything!??!

Elementary students started out with some sunflower and apple art. I just love hearing their excitement when it is their Art day! Eighth graders are starting their quarter with a "My Life in a Jar" project that focuses on 10 things about them and then they will build the 10 miniatures out of clay. After this, they will discuss abstract and realism and create projects to go along with that. They will start working on the potter's wheel soon after, as we ran out of time last qtr. Art I students are working on LINE projects. Art II students are creating famous architecture artworks. Art III and Ind Art students are working on large posters, playing card designs, perspective projects, and color within a shape project. A couple seniors started their painted ceiling tiles.

We have some very talented students in our school. I'm hoping to get to the State Fair over the weekend to see the artwork we sent. Also, I will have the Best of Shows from the county fair displayed at the Living History Day at the Saline County Museum (Sept. 6th). Have a wonderful September and get ready for the beautiful warm colors of Fall!

Mrs. Lutjemeyer

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day No School Pre-K-12	2 Teacher In-Service No School Pre-K-12	3 JH VB @ Home vs. Meridian 1:00 pm	4 School Pictures VB @ Weeping Water - JV 5:00 pm Varsity @ 6:00 pm	5 2:00 pm Dismissal VB @ Pawnee City - JV @ 4:00 pm Varsity @ 5:00 pm V FB @ 7:00 pm @ Pawnee City	6 Yorkfest Parade
7	8 Football @ Pawnee City - JH @ 3:00 pm JV @ 4:30 pm School Board Meeting @ 8:00 pm	9	10 Homecoming Bon Fire/Pep Rally @ 6:30 pm JH VB @ 3:00 pm @ Giltner	11 Patriot's Day Program @ 8:15 am Varsity VB vs. Giltner-Harvard @ 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm	12 2:00 pm Dismissal JV FB Game @ Home vs. Grand Island Lutheran 7:00 pm Homecoming Dance	13 Varsity VB Invite @ Humboldt/ Table Rock 8:00 am
14	15 JH FB @ McCool 4:30 pm	16 Volleyball @ Nebraska Lutheran - JV 6:00 pm Varsity 7:00 pm	17	18 JH VB @ Home vs. Crete 4:00 pm	19 2:00 pm Dismissal Boys BB Fundraiser @ the Legion	20 JH VB Tournament @ Exeter-Milligan-Friend (Friend) 9:00 am
21	22 Football @ Home vs. Sterling JH 4:30 pm JV 6:00 pm	23 JH VB @ Home vs. McCool 1:00 pm Volleyball @ Osceola JV 6:00 pm Varsity 7:00 pm	24 Junior's College Visit @ Doane Earth Festival @ Camp Jefferson in Fairbury—5th Grade	25 JH VB @ Home vs. High Plains 2:00 pm Varsity Volleyball @ Home vs. High Plains/Sheaby/Rising City @ 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm	26 2:00 pm Dismissal Varsity FB @ Harvard 7:00 pm	27 Varsity VB Triangular @ Nebraska Lutheran w/Omaha Christian 10:00 am/11:00 am
28	29 Football @ Meridian JH 4:30 pm JV 6:00 pm	30 Parent's Night VB @ Home vs. Sterling - JV 6:00 pm Varsity 7:00 pm				

2025 - 2026

DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL LONGHORNS



HOME GAMES IN BOLD

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Aug. 29	Sterling.....	7pm
Sept. 5	@ Pawnee City.....	7pm
Sept. 12	Heartland Lutheran (Homecoming)...	7pm
Sept. 19	Bye.....	
Sept. 26	@ Harvard.....	7pm
Oct. 3	Silver Lake (Youth Night).....	7pm
Oct. 10	@ Diller-Odell.....	7pm
Oct. 17	@ Red Cloud.....	7pm
Oct. 24	Meridian (Parents/Sr Night).....	7pm
Oct. 31	First Round Playoffs.....	TBD
Nov. 7	Quarterfinal Round.....	TBD
Nov. 14	Semifinal Round.....	TBD
Nov. 21	Finals @ UNK.....	TBD

JR. VARSITY FOOTBALL

Sept. 8	@ Pawnee City.....	4:30pm
Sept. 22	Sterling.....	6pm
Sept. 29	@ Meridian.....	6pm
Oct. 6	Parkview Christian.....	6pm

JR. HIGH FOOTBALL

Sept. 8	@ Pawnee City.....	3pm
Sept. 15	@ McCool Junction.....	4:30pm
Sept. 22	Sterling.....	4:30pm
Sept. 29	@ Meridian.....	4:30pm
Oct. 6	Parkview Christian.....	4:30pm
Oct. 10	@ Diller-Odell.....	4pm

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Aug. 26	@ Wilber-Clatonia (Jamboree).....	5:30pm
Aug. 28	@ East Butler.....	5/6pm
Sept. 4	@ Weeping Water.....	5/6pm
Sept. 5	@ Pawnee City.....	4/5pm
Sept. 11	Giltner/Harvard.....	5/7pm
Sept. 13	@ HTRS Invite @ Humboldt/Table Rock.....	8am
Sept. 16	@ Nebraska Lutheran.....	6/7pm
Sept. 23	@ Osceola.....	6/7pm
Sept. 25	High Plains/Shelby-RC.....	5/7pm
Sept. 27	@ NE Lutheran/Omaha Christian.....	10/11am
Sept. 30	Sterling (Parents/Senior Night).....	6/7pm
Oct. 2	@ Meridian/Diller-Odell.....	6/7pm
Oct. 3	Silver Lake.....	4/5pm
Oct. 9	@ Twin River/Cross County.....	5/6pm
Oct. 11	Booster Club JV Tourney.....	9am
Oct. 13	@ Parkview Christian.....	5/6pm
Oct. 14	@ BDS/McCoolJct.....	5/6pm
Oct. 18-21	CRC Tournament @ York.....	TBD
Oct. 25	JV Tourney @ EMF(Friend).....	9am
Oct. 27-28	Subdistricts.....	TBD
Nov. 1	District Finals.....	TBD
Nov. 5-8	State Tournament @ Lincoln.....	TBD

JR. HIGH VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 3	Meridian.....	1pm
Sept. 10	@ Giltner-Harvard.....	3pm
Sept. 18	Crete.....	4pm
Sept. 20	@ Friend Tournament.....	9am
Sept. 23	McCool Junction.....	1pm
Sept. 25	High Plains.....	2pm
Oct. 1	@ BDS.....	1pm
Oct. 4	D-Club Tournament.....	9am

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

Dec. 4	Deshler.....	6pm
Dec. 5	@ Meridian.....	6pm
Dec. 9	High Plains.....	6pm
Dec. 12	BDS.....	6pm
Dec. 16	Giltner-Harvard.....	6pm
Dec. 18	@ Osceola.....	6pm
Dec. 23	@ Elba.....	2pm
Dec. 30	@ Lewiston.....	4pm
Jan. 3	Cedar Bluffs.....	2pm
Jan. 6	@ Heartland Lutheran.....	6pm
Jan. 8	@ Sterling.....	6pm
Jan. 15	@ East Butler.....	6pm
Jan. 20	@ Cross County.....	6pm
Jan. 22	Shelby-Rising City.....	6pm
Jan. 24-30	CRC Tournament @ York.....	TBD
Feb. 3	College View Academy.....	5:30pm
Feb. 5	Nebraska Lutheran.....	6pm
Feb. 6	@ Twin River.....	6pm
Feb. 10	Parkview Christian.....	6pm
Feb. 13	McCool Jct (Parents/SrNight).....	6pm
Feb. 16-17, 19	Subdistricts.....	TBD
Feb. 27	Districts.....	TBD
Mar. 4-7	State @ Lincoln.....	TBD

JR. HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Nov. 11	@ McCool Junction.....	2pm
Nov. 13	@ BDS.....	2pm
Nov. 17	Osceola.....	2pm
Nov. 20	Nebraska Lutheran.....	4pm
Dec. 3	@ Meridian.....	2pm
Dec. 6	Dorchester Booster Club Tourney.....	9am
Dec. 9	East Butler.....	2pm
Dec. 11	High Plains.....	2pm
Dec. 17	@ Giltner-Harvard.....	3pm

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

Dec. 4	Deshler.....	7:30pm
Dec. 5	@ Meridian.....	7:30pm
Dec. 9	High Plains.....	7:30pm
Dec. 12	BDS.....	7:30pm
Dec. 16	Giltner-Harvard.....	7:30pm
Dec. 18	@ Osceola.....	7:30pm
Dec. 23	@ Elba.....	3:30pm
Dec. 30	@ Lewiston.....	5:30pm
Jan. 3	Cedar Bluffs.....	3:30pm
Jan. 6	@ Heartland Lutheran.....	7:30pm
Jan. 8	@ Sterling.....	7:30pm
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Jan. 22	Shelby-Rising City.....	7:30pm
Jan. 24-30	CRC Tournament @ York.....	TBD
Feb. 3	College View Academy.....	7pm
Feb. 5	Nebraska Lutheran.....	7:30pm
Feb. 6	@ Twin River.....	7:30pm
Feb. 10	Parkview Christian.....	7:30pm
Feb. 13	McCool Jct (Parents/SrNight).....	7:30pm
Feb. 23-24, 26	Subdistricts.....	TBD
Feb. 28	Districts.....	TBD
Mar. 11-14	State @ Lincoln.....	TBD

JR. HIGH BOYS BASKETBALL

Jan. 12	@ McCool Junction.....	2pm
Jan. 14	@ BDS.....	2pm
Jan. 19	Nebraska Lutheran.....	4pm
Jan. 21	@ Giltner-Harvard.....	3pm
Feb. 3	East Butler.....	2pm
Feb. 7	Dorchester Booster Club Tourney.....	9am
Feb. 9	@ Meridian.....	2pm
Feb. 11	High Plains.....	2pm
Feb. 16	Osceola.....	2pm

VARSITY GIRLS WRESTLING

Dec. 4	Dual @ Meridian/EMF.....	6pm
Dec. 5	@ West Point-Beemer.....	3pm
Dec. 13	@ Crete.....	9am
Dec. 19	@ Wahoo.....	1pm
Jan. 2	@ Fillmore Central.....	9am
Jan. 9	@ Malcolm.....	3pm
Jan. 13	Dual vs Wahoo.....	5pm
Jan. 17	@ Nebraska City.....	10am
Jan. 22	@ Thayer Central.....	2pm
Jan. 30	@ Raymond Central.....	2pm
Jan. 31	@ Doniphan-Trumbull.....	9:30am
Feb. 6-7	District Tournament.....	TBD
Feb. 17-18	State Tournament @ Omaha.....	TBD

JR. HIGH GIRLS WRESTLING

Jan. 13	@ Sandy Creek.....	3pm
Jan. 17	@ Fairbury.....	10am
Jan. 27	@ Centennial.....	4pm
Feb. 2	@ Thayer Central.....	4pm
Feb. 9	@ Seward.....	4:30pm
Feb. 24	@ Crete.....	4:30pm

VARSITY BOYS WRESTLING

Dec. 4	Dual @ Meridian/EMF.....	6pm
Dec. 6	@ Friend.....	9am
Dec. 13	@ Osceola.....	8:30am
Dec. 19	@ Johnson County Central.....	9:30am
Jan. 3	@ Fillmore Central.....	9am
Jan. 10	@ Malcolm.....	9am
Jan. 17	@ Cross County.....	10am
Jan. 23	@ Thayer Central.....	2pm
Jan. 30	@ Freeman.....	3pm
Jan. 31	@ Doniphan-Trumbull.....	9:30am
Feb. 5	CRC Invite @ East Butler.....	2pm
Feb. 13-14	District Tournament.....	TBD
Feb. 19-21	State Tournament @ Omaha.....	TBD

JR. HIGH BOYS WRESTLING

Nov. 10	@ Friend.....	4pm
Nov. 18	Dorchester Invite.....	5pm
Nov. 25	@ Fillmore Central.....	4:30pm
Dec. 1	@ Wilber-Clatonia.....	6pm
Dec. 8	@ Tri County.....	4:30pm
Dec. 13	@ Centennial.....	9am

VARSITY TRACK

Mar. 19	Doane Invite @ Crete.....	10am
Mar. 24	@ Thayer Central Invite.....	11am
Mar. 31	Turkey Creek Relays @ Friend.....	10am
Apr. 8	Mustang Invite @ Friend.....	10am
Apr. 16	Del Wicks Invite @ Deshler.....	10am
Apr. 21	Friend Invite @ Friend.....	10am
Apr. 27	@ McCool Junction.....	9am
May 2	CRC Meet @ Osceola.....	9am
May 7	@ McCool Junction.....	9:30am
May 13	District Meet.....	TBD
May 22-23	State Meet @ Omaha.....	TBD

JR. HIGH TRACK

Apr. 1	Quad @ McCool Junction.....	12pm
Apr. 7	Meridian Invite @ McCool Jct.....	9am
Apr. 9	Milford Invite @ Milford.....	10am
Apr. 13	Dorchester Invite @ McCool Jct.....	9am
Apr. 16	Osceola Invite @ Osceola.....	9am
Apr. 23	Deshler Invite @ Deshler.....	9am
Apr. 27	Fairbury Invite @ Fairbury.....	11:30am
Apr. 30	CRC Meet @ Cross County.....	9am
May 7	Relays @ McCool Junction.....	9:30am
May 16	State @ Gothenburg.....	TBD

Thanks TO ALL OF OUR FANS!

SCHEDULES COMPLIMENTS OF:
Tyser Auto Sales • Complete Ag
Schweitzer Farms and Sales
Spring Creek Repair & Farm Supply

September 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 No School	2 No School	3 Donut Fruit Milk	4 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	5 Biscuit Sausage Breakfast Sandwich Fruit Milk
8 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Milk	9 Overnight Oats Toast Fruit Milk	10 Apple Strudel Fruit Milk	11 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	12 Pancakes Tri-tater Fruit Milk
15 Breakfast Burrito Fruit Milk	16 Combo Bar Toast Fruit Milk	17 Blueberry Muffin Fruit Milk	18 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	19 Cheesy Egg Bake Toast Fruit Milk
22 Ham & Egg Griddler Fruit Milk	23 Pancake on a Stick Fruit Milk	24 Oatmeal Round Fruit Milk	25 Biscuits & Gravy Fruit Milk	26 Chocolate Chip Loaf Bread Fruit Milk
29 French Toast Sticks Fruit Milk	30 Yogurt with Granola Fruit Milk			

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. *Subject to change due to supply issues. EVERYDAY THERE WILL ALSO BE A CHOICE FOR COLD BREAKFAST (ALL ARE WHOLE GRAIN): DRY CEREAL, POPTART, AND GRANOLA BAR.*

September 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 No School	2 No School	3 Crispy Chicken Sandwich Fruit Pickels Fries Milk	4 Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Fruit Corn Roll Milk	5 Corndog Cheesy Broccoli Fruit Oreo Fluff Milk
8 Pepparoni Pizza Fruit Salad Milk	9 Pulled Pork Sandwich Carrots Fruit Tri-tater Milk	10 Beef & Bean Burrito Salad Fruit Rice Milk	11 Lasagna Rollup W/ Meat Sauce Bread Stick Green Beans Fruit Milk	12 Pizza Crunchers Salad Fruit Milk
15 Chicken Tenders Fruit Corn Steak Fries Milk	16 Hot Dog Fruit Corn Chips Milk	17 Meat Ball Slider Sandwich Green Beans Fruit Pasta Salad Milk	18 Chicken Pizza Quesadilla Fruit Veggie Milk	19 BBQ Chicken sandwich Corn Fruit Baked Lay's Chips Milk
22 Cheese French Bread Pizza Fruit Peas Cookie Milk	23 Fish Sticks Fruit Broccoli Bread & Butter French Fries Milk	24 Mac and Cheese Little smokies Peas & Carrots Fruit Banana Loaf Milk	25 Chicken Mex Fry Nacho Carrot Sticks Fruit Shredded Lettuce Milk	26 Goulash Corn Fruit Jell-O Garlic Bread Milk
29 Hamburger Smilie Fries Fruit Veggie Milk	30 Taco Soup Fruit Crackers Churro Milk			

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. *Subject to change due to supplying issues. Sub sandwiches or uncrustable sandwiches will be the cold option everyday.*

FALL PHOTO DAYS ARE COMING!

WE WILL BE AT,
ESTAREMOS EN,

Dorchester School

ORIGINAL PICTURE DAY

GET READY TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED ON
PREPARATE PARA SER FOTOGRAFIADO EN

September 4, 2025

MAKE-UP PICTURE DAY

GET READY TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED ON
PREPARATE PARA SER FOTOGRAFIADO EN

October 22, 2025



SMILE! IT'S YOUR BEST LOOK!



How to Order via website | cómo ordenar

- 1 Visit [DSSCHOOLS.COM/ORDER](https://www.dsschools.com/order)
Visite [dsschools.com/order](https://www.dsschools.com/order)
- 2 Select your School, then Select Fall Portraits
Seleccione su escuela y luego seleccione Retratos de otoño
- 3 Enter in your online code and start shopping!
Escriba su código en línea y comience a comprar

**Scan the QR code to order
photos one week after Picture Day!**

*¡Escanea el código QR para ordenar sus
fotos una semana después del Día de Fotos!*

**PHOTOS WILL BE READY TO ORDER 5-7 Business Days AFTER PICTURE DAY.
YOU WILL RECEIVE A PROOF FLYER WITH YOUR STUDENT'S PERSONALIZED GALLERY!**
LAS FOTOS ESTARÁN LISTAS PARA PEDIR DE 5 A 7 DÍAS HÁBILES DESPUÉS DEL DÍA DE LA FOTO.
¡RECIBIRÁS UN FOLLETO DE PRUEBA CON LA GALERÍA PERSONALIZADA DE TU ESTUDIANTE!

Dorchester Public School 2025-2026 Calendar = Adopted

2025							
JULY							
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1st Semester Totals						90.5	84.0

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2nd Semester Totals						94.5	92.0	

- August 8 New Teacher In-Service (Stipend Day)
- August 11 Start of FB & VB Practices
- August 12 & 13 Teacher In-Service (Open House August 12th)
- August 14 First Day of School for K-12; Dismiss @ 2:00 pm
- August 18 First Day of School for Preschool
- September 1 Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
- September 2 Cohort Day - NO SCHOOL
- October 8 PTC - 5:00-8:30 PM
- October 9 PTC - NO SCHOOL
- October 9 Staff may leave at 12:30 PM
- October 10 NO SCHOOL
- October 17 End of Quarter 1; Dismiss @ 2:00 pm
- November 3 NO SCHOOL PK-12
- November 17 Start of Winter Practice
- November 26-28 Thanksgiving Break
- December 19 End of S1 - Dismiss at noon
- Dec. 22-Jan. 2 Holiday Break
- January 5 Classes Resume
- January 19 Cohort Day - NO SCHOOL
- February 12 PTC - NO SCHOOL
- February 13 NO SCHOOL
- March 2 Start of Spring Practice
- March 11 End of Quarter 3
- March 12 & 13 NO SCHOOL
- April 3-April 6 Easter Break - NO SCHOOL
- May 8 Last Day of School, Seniors
- May 9 Graduation
- May 20 Last Day of School, Preschool
- May 21 End of S2 - Dismiss K-11 at 11:30 am
- May 26-29 Make-up Days/School Improvement/Data Days TBD

*Flex Teacher Workday between July 28- August 11 or December 22 to January 2

STUDENT DAYS 176
TEACHER DAYS 9
TOTAL DAYS 185

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
October 9 5:00-8:30PM & October 9 8:00AM-12:30PM
February 12 8:30AM-8:00PM
NO SCHOOL
NO SCHOOL FOR PreK-12 STUDENTS
2:00 PM SCHOOL DISMISSAL - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
TEACHER DUTY DAY - NO SCHOOL
COHORT - TEACHER DUTY DAY - NO SCHOOL
END OF THE QUARTER
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
Make-up Days/School Improvement/Data Days TBD
GYM CLOSED TO ALL PRACTICES AND ACTIVITIES



GET READY FOR A



Longhorn Homecoming

MONDAY:  SUPERHERO/VILLAIN DAY 

DRESS AS YOUR FAVORITE SUPERHERO OR VILLAIN

TUESDAY:  RHYME NO REASON DAY 

EXAMPLE: "TAYLOR SWIFT AND WEIGHTLIFT"

WEDNESDAY:  PAJAMA DAY (ELEM) 

DRESS AS YOUR HALLWAY DAY (HS)

 COMMUNITY PARADE 6:15 P.M. 
HAMBURGER FEED AND PEP RALLY TO FOLLOW

BEHIND THE HIGH SCHOOL

THURSDAY: WILD WEST/WEST COAST DAY

SPORT YOUR WESTERN WEAR OR CHILL OUT FOR THE
DAY AS A SURFER DUDE OR VALLEY GIRL



FRIDAY:  BLACK AND ORANGE DAY 

SHOW YOUR SCHOOL PRIDE!



Upcoming Events for PTO

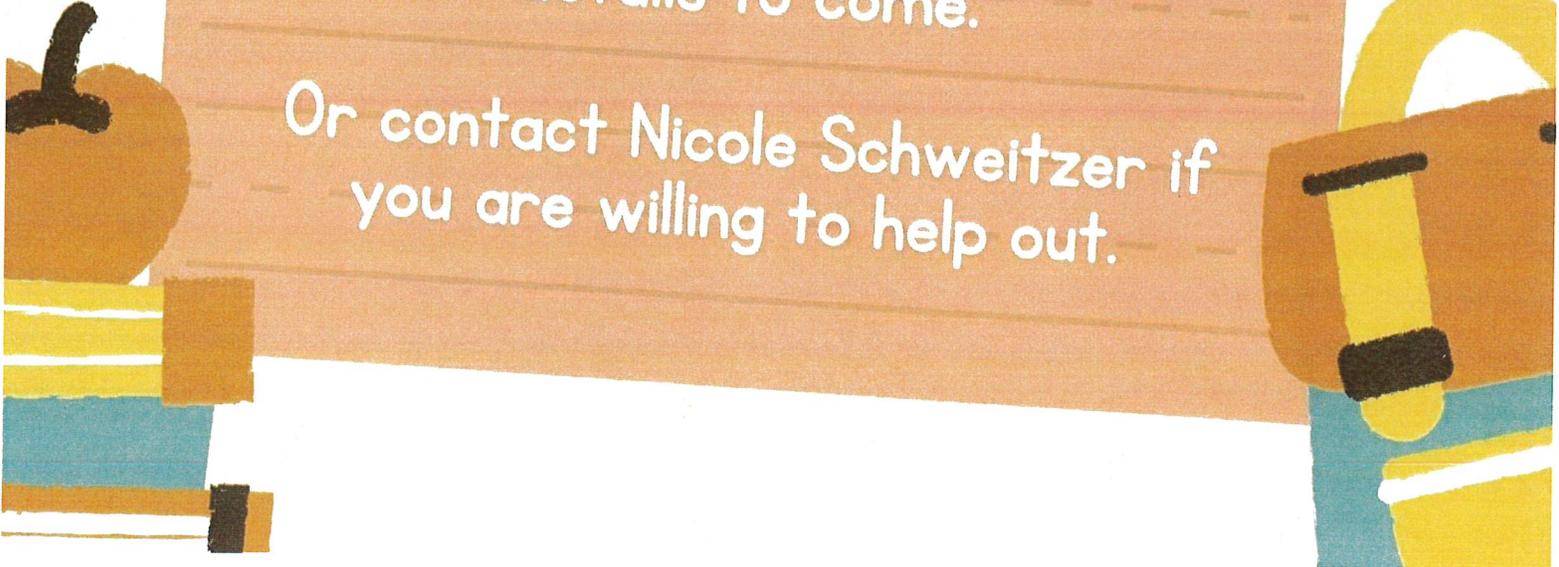
SEPTEMBER 25TH

- **CONCESSIONS**
 - **RAFFLE**
- 

We are asking for your help with donation items for the raffle and for parents to help do concessions at the volleyball game.

You can watch Facebook for more details to come.

Or contact Nicole Schweitzer if you are willing to help out.



POPCORN DAY REMINDER



Thursday, September 11th : Preschool
Friday, September 12th: Kindergarten – 6th grade
\$.50 a bag

Dorchester Public School

July 21st, 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. **Dorchester Public School** offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **Grade Pre-K-6 \$1.80, Grade 7-12 \$1.90**; lunch costs **Grade Pre-K-6 \$2.65, Grade 7-12 \$2.90**. **Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals.** Reduced price is **\$.30** for breakfast and **\$.40** for lunch. If your child(ren) qualified for free or reduced price meals at the end of last school year, you must submit a new application by **September 26th, 2025** in order to avoid an interruption in meal benefits.

This packet includes an application for free or reduced price meal benefits and a set of detailed instructions. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the application process.

1. WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?

- All children in households receiving benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) are eligible for free meals.
- Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
- Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
- Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
- Children may receive free or reduced price meals if your household's income is within the limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

2. HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY? Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail **JJ Wagner, Dorchester Public School Principal, 402-946-2781 or jj.wagner@dorchesterschool.org**.

3. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD? *No. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household.* We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: **Dorchester Public School, PO Box 7, Dorchester, NE. 68343.**

4. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE ALREADY APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS? *No, but please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions.* If any children in your household were missing from your eligibility notification, contact **JJ Wagner, Dorchester Public School, phone 402-946-2781 or email jj.wagner@dorchesterschool.org** immediately.

5. CAN I APPLY ONLINE? **No, this option is NOT available.**

6. 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 few days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new

school year. If you do not send in a new application that is approved by the school or you have not been notified that your child is eligible for free meals, your child will be charged the full price for meals.

7. **I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please send in an application.
8. **WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED?** Yes. We may also ask you to send written proof of the household income you report.
9. **IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?** Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
10. **WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION?** You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: **Nick Mumm, PO Box 7, Dorchester, NE. 68343.**
11. **MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN?** Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced price meals.
12. **WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME?** List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
13. **WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT?** Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application, or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you meant to do so.
14. **WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY?** Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Any additional combat pay resulting from deployment is also excluded from income.
15. **WHAT IF THERE ISN'T ENOUGH SPACE ON THE APPLICATION FOR MY FAMILY?** List any additional household members on a separate piece of paper, and attach it to your application. Contact **Dorchester Public School, PO Box 7, Dorchester, NE. 68343. Phone 402-946-2781, or Email jj.wagner@dorchesterschool.org** to receive a second application.
16. **MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR?** To find out how to apply for SNAP or other assistance benefits, please go online to ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov or call 1-800-383-4278.

If you have other questions or need help, call **402-946-2781**.

Sincerely,

JJ Wagner, Principal

Instructions for Completing the Free & Reduced Price School Meals Family Application

For households receiving benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), follow these instructions:

- Part 1:** List each child's name, the school they attend and their grade.
Part 2: Enter household's Master Case Number if the household qualifies for SNAP, TANF or FDPIR.
Part 3: Skip this part.
Part 4: Complete this part. An adult must sign the form.
Part 5: This part is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals. If you do not select race or ethnicity, one may be selected based on visual observation.

For households with FOSTER, HOMELESS, MIGRANT or RUNAWAY CHILDREN, follow these instructions:

If all children in the household are foster children:

- Part 1:** List all foster children, the school they attend and their grade. Check the box indicating the child is a foster child.
Part 2: Skip this part.
Part 3: Skip this part.
Part 4: Complete this part. An adult must sign the form.
Part 5: This part is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals. If you do not select race or ethnicity, one may be selected based on visual observation.

If some of the children in the household are foster children or are homeless, migrant or runaway children:

- Part 1:** List all children, the school they attend and their grade. Check the appropriate box.
Part 2: If the household does not have a Master Case Number, skip this part.
Part 3: Follow these instructions to report total household income from last month.
Column 1 – Household Members: List the first and last name of **each** person living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives or friends) who share income and expenses. Attach another sheet of paper if necessary.
Column 2 - Gross Income and How Often it was Received: Gross income is the amount earned **before taxes and other deductions**; it is not your take-home pay. For each household member, list each type of income received for the month. You must also report how often the money is received – weekly, every other week, twice a month, or monthly.

Earnings from Work includes the following:

- Salary, wages, cash bonuses
- Net income from self-employment (farm or business)

If you are in the U.S. Military, include:

- Basic pay and cash bonuses (do not include combat pay, Family Subsistence Supplemental Allowance (FSSA) payments or privatized housing allowances)
- Allowances for off-base housing, food and clothing

Do not include income from SNAP, FDPIR, WIC, Federal education benefits and foster care payments.

Public Assistance/Child Support/Alimony includes the following:

- Unemployment benefits, Worker's compensation
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Cash assistance from state or local government
- Veteran's benefits (VA benefits), Strike benefits
- Child support payments, Alimony payments

Pensions/Retirement/All Other Income includes the following:

- Social Security payments (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits)
- Private pensions or Disability benefits
- Regular income from trusts or estates, Annuities, Investment income, Earned interest, Rental income and *Regular* cash payments received from outside the household.

If you have no income, write "0" or leave the income field blank. By doing this, you are certifying there is no income to report.

Household Size: Enter the total number of people in your household.

Social Security Number: The adult signing the form must list the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SSN) or check the box to the right labeled "Check if no SSN."

Part 4: Complete this part. An adult must sign the form.

Part 5: This part is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals. If you do not select race or ethnicity, one may be selected based on visual observation.

Please note: Children who meet the definition of homeless, migrant or runaway, are eligible for free meals. However, the school district must have documentation on file from a migrant coordinator, homeless/runaway liaison or the district's Direct Certification list to approve the child for free meals.

For ALL other households, follow these instructions:

Part 1: List all children, the school they attend and their grade.

Part 2: If the household does not have a Master Case Number, skip this part.

Part 3: Follow these instructions to report total household income from last month.

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Household Size: Enter the total number of people in your household.

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Part 4: Complete this part. An adult must sign the form.

Part 5: This part is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals. If you do not select race or ethnicity, one may be selected based on visual observation.

Return Completed Application to: (Insert School Name & Mailing Address here)

Part 1: Children in School

List names of all children in school (First, Middle Initial, Last). If <u>all</u> children listed are foster, skip to Part 4 to sign the form. If some of the children are foster or are homeless, migrant or runaway children, complete all steps of the application.						Check all that apply: Homeless, Migrant, Runaway
	Grade	Name of School Child Attends	Foster Child	Homeless, Migrant, Runaway	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Part 2: Assistance Programs – SNAP, TANF or FDPIR Benefits

Enter **MASTER CASE NUMBER** if household qualifies for SNAP, TANF or FDPIR:
 (Social Security numbers, Medicaid numbers and EBT numbers are not accepted.) Skip to Part 4

Part 3: Total Household Gross Income – You must tell us how much and how often.

1. Household Members List everyone in the household, current income each person earns in whole dollars (no cents) & how often. Entering "0" or leaving the income field blank certifies no income to report. A foster child's personal use income must be listed.	2. Gross Income (before taxes) and How Often it was Received					
	Earnings from Work before deductions		Public Assistance, Child Support, Alimony		Pensions, Retirement and All Other Income	
	Income	How often	Income	How often	Income	How often

Total Number of Household Members: _____ (Children and Adults)
 Last four digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of the adult signing this form: XXX – XXX – _____ Check if no SSN

Part 4: Adult Signature and Contact Information – An adult household member must sign the application.

"I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds and that school officials may verify (check) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."

Sign here: _____ Print name: _____ Date: _____
 Street Address (if available): _____ Zip: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Part 5: Children's Ethnic and Racial Identities – Optional

Check one Ethnic Identity: – and – **Check one or more Racial Identities:**

Hispanic or Latino Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
 Not Hispanic or Latino White American Indian or Alaskan Native

Do Not Fill Out the Section Below - For School Use Only

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly X 52; Every 2 weeks X 26; Twice a month X 24; Monthly X 12

Total Household Size: _____

Total Income: _____ per
 Year Month 2 X Mo Every 2 Wks Week

<input type="checkbox"/> Free	<input type="checkbox"/> Reduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied
<input type="checkbox"/> Income	<input type="checkbox"/> Income	Reason for denial:
<input type="checkbox"/> Categorically eligible:		<input type="checkbox"/> Income too high
<input type="checkbox"/> SNAP/TANF/FDPIR		<input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete application
<input type="checkbox"/> Foster Child		
<input type="checkbox"/> Homeless/Migrant/Runaway:		
(Official Documentation Required at School)		

Signature of Determining Official: _____ Date Approved: _____

FOR THE VERIFICATION PROCESS ONLY:

Signature of Confirming Official: _____	Date Confirmed: _____	Date Withdrawn From School: _____
Signature of Verifying Official: _____	Date Verified: _____	

Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

FEDERAL INCOME CHART for School Year 2025-26					
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
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Each additional person:	10,175	848	424	392	196

The **Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act** requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number are not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We may share your eligibility information with education, health and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

Non-Discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

- (1) Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410
- (2) Fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) Email: program.intake@usda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Estimado padre/madre/tutor:

Los niños necesitan comer saludablemente para aprender. **Dorchester Public School** ofrece comidas saludables todos los días escolares. El costo del desayuno es de **Grados PK-6 \$1.80 and Grados 7-12 \$1.90**; el costo del almuerzo es de **Grados PK-6 \$2.65 & Grados 7-12 \$2.90. Es posible que sus hijos califiquen para aprovechar comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido.** El precio reducido del desayuno es de **\$0.30** y el del almuerzo es de **\$0.40**. Si sus hijos califican para aprovechar comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido al final del último año escolar, usted debe presentar una nueva solicitud antes del **26 de septiembre** para evitar la interrupción de los beneficios de comidas.

Este paquete incluye una solicitud de beneficios de comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido y una serie de instrucciones detalladas. A continuación, se presentan algunas preguntas y respuestas comunes que le ayudarán con el proceso de solicitud.

1. ¿QUIÉN PUEDE CONSEGUIR COMIDAS GRATUITAS O A UN PRECIO REDUCIDO?

- Todos los niños que vivan en hogares que reciban beneficios del Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, SNAP), del Programa de Asistencia Temporal para Familias Necesitadas (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, TANF) o del Programa de Distribución de Alimentos en Reservaciones Indígenas (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, FDIPIR) son elegibles para recibir comidas gratuitas.
- Los niños en custodia que se encuentran bajo la responsabilidad legal de una agencia de acogida o de un tribunal son elegibles para recibir comidas gratuitas.
- Los niños que participen en el programa Head Start de su escuela son elegibles para recibir comidas gratuitas.
- Los niños que cumplan con la definición de desamparados, fugitivos o inmigrantes son elegibles para recibir comidas gratuitas.
- Es posible que los niños reciban comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido si el ingreso familiar se encuentra dentro de los límites establecidos en las pautas federales de cumplimiento de requisitos de ingresos (Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines). Es posible que sus hijos califiquen para recibir comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido si su ingreso familiar se encuentra en el límite o debajo de los límites que se detallan en dicho cuadro.

2. ¿CÓMO SÉ SI MI HIJO CALIFICA COMO DESAMPARADO, INMIGRANTE O FUGITIVO? ¿Los miembros de su hogar no tienen una dirección permanente? ¿Se alojan en un refugio, hotel u otro tipo de alojamiento transitorio? ¿Su familia se traslada dependiendo de la temporada? ¿Viven niños con usted que han elegido dejar sus familias u hogares anteriores? Si considera que los niños de su familia cumplen con estas descripciones y no le han informado que recibirán comidas gratuitas, llame o envíe un correo electrónico a **JJ Wagner, Dorchester Public School, Principa, 402-946-2781 o Darlene Rodriguez, Migrant Education Recruiter, 402-564-5753 o drodriguez@esu7.org.**

3. ¿DEBO COMPLETAR UNA SOLICITUD POR CADA NIÑO? No. *Utilice una Solicitud de comidas escolares gratuitas o a precio reducido para todos los estudiantes de su familia.* No podemos aprobar una solicitud que no esté completa. Por ello, asegúrese de completar toda la información solicitada. Envíe la solicitud completa a la siguiente dirección: **Dorchester Public School, PO Box 7, Dorchester, NE. 68343.**

4. ¿DEBO COMPLETAR UNA SOLICITUD SI RECIBÍ UNA CARTA ESTE AÑO ESCOLAR EN LA QUE DECÍA QUE MIS HIJOS YA FUERON APROBADOS PARA RECIBIR COMIDAS GRATUITAS? No, pero lea la carta que recibió atentamente y siga las instrucciones. Si en la notificación de elegibilidad falta algún niño de su familia, comuníquese con **JJ Wagner, Dorchester Public School, teléfono 402-946-2781 o correo electrónico jj.wagner@dorchesterschool.org** de inmediato.

5. ¿PUEDO REALIZAR LA SOLICITUD POR INTERNET? **No, esta opción no esta disponible.**

6. LA SOLICITUD DE MI HIJO FUE APROBADA EL AÑO ANTERIOR. ¿DEBO COMPLETAR UNA NUEVA? Sí. La solicitud de su hijo solamente es válida para el pasado año escolar y para los primeros días de este año escolar.

Debe enviar una nueva solicitud, excepto que la escuela le informe que su hijo es elegible para el nuevo año escolar. Si no envía una nueva solicitud aprobada por la escuela o si aún no ha recibido una notificación acerca de si su hijo es elegible para comidas gratuitas, su hijo deberá pagar el precio total de las comidas.

7. PARTICIPO EN EL PROGRAMA PARA MUJERES, BEBÉS Y NIÑOS (WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN, WIC). ¿MIS HIJOS PUEDEN RECIBIR COMIDAS GRATUITAS? Los niños que viven en hogares que participan en el programa WIC pueden ser elegibles para recibir comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido. Envíe una solicitud.
8. ¿SE COMPROBARÁ LA INFORMACIÓN QUE ENVÍE? Sí. Es posible que también le solicitemos un comprobante escrito del ingreso familiar que informe.
9. SI NO CALIFICO AHORA, ¿PUEDO ENVIAR LA SOLICITUD MÁS ADELANTE? Sí, puede enviar la solicitud en cualquier momento del año escolar. Por ejemplo, los niños que tengan un padre, madre o tutor que quede desempleado pueden volverse elegibles para recibir comidas gratuitas y a un precio reducido si el ingreso familiar queda debajo del límite de ingresos.
10. ¿QUÉ SUCEDE SI NO ESTOY DE ACUERDO CON LA DECISIÓN DE LA ESCUELA CON RESPECTO A MI SOLICITUD? Debe hablar con los funcionarios escolares. También puede solicitar una audiencia llamando o escribiendo al siguiente contacto: **Nick Mumm, PO Box 7, Dorchester NE. 68343 telefono 402-946-2781 o correco electrónico Nick.mumm@dorchesterschool.org.**
11. ¿PUEDO PRESENTAR UNA SOLICITUD SI ALGÚN INTEGRANTE DE MI FAMILIA NO ES CIUDADANO ESTADOUNIDENSE? Sí. No es necesario que usted, sus hijos u otros miembros de su familia sean ciudadanos estadounidenses para solicitar comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido.
12. ¿QUÉ SUCEDE SI MI INGRESO NO SIEMPRE ES EL MISMO? Indique la cantidad que normalmente cobra. Por ejemplo, si normalmente cobra \$1000 por mes, pero el mes pasado perdió algunos trabajos y solo ganó \$900, indique que gana \$1000 por mes. Si normalmente recibe pago por horas extras, inclúyalo, pero no lo incluya si trabaja horas extras solo de vez en cuando. Si se quedó sin trabajo o le redujeron las horas o el salario, indique su ingreso actual.
13. ¿QUÉ SUCEDE SI ALGUNOS DE LOS MIEMBROS DE LA FAMILIA NO TIENEN INGRESOS PARA INFORMAR? Le solicitamos que en la solicitud informe si hay miembros de la familia que no reciben ciertos tipos de ingreso o que no reciben ningún ingreso. En este caso, escriba 0 en el campo. Sin embargo, si alguno de los campos de ingresos queda vacío o en blanco, esos también se considerarán ceros. Tenga cuidado cuando deje campos de ingresos en blanco, ya que asumiremos que fue su intención hacerlo.
14. PERTENECEMOS AL SERVICIO MILITAR, ¿INFORMAMOS NUESTROS INGRESOS DE MANERA DIFERENTE? El sueldo básico y las bonificaciones en efectivo deben informarse como ingresos. Si recibe alguna asignación en efectivo para vivienda fuera de la base, alimentos o vestimenta, también debe incluirlos como ingresos. Sin embargo, si su vivienda forma parte de la Iniciativa de Privatización de Viviendas para Militares, no incluya su asignación para vivienda como ingreso. Cualquier otro pago adicional por combate que resulte de un despliegue tampoco debe incluirse como ingreso.
15. ¿QUÉ SUCEDE SI NO HAY ESPACIO SUFICIENTE EN LA SOLICITUD PARA TODOS LOS INTEGRANTES DE MI FAMILIA? Incluya a los miembros adicionales de su familia en una hoja separada y adjúntela a su solicitud. Comuníquese con **Dorchester Public School, PO Box 7, Dorchester, NE. 68343, teléfono 402-946-2781, o correo electrónico jj.wagner@dorchesterschool.org** para recibir una segunda solicitud.
16. MI FAMILIA NECESITA MÁS AYUDA. ¿HAY OTROS PROGRAMAS EN LOS QUE PODRÍAMOS INSCRIBIRNOS? Para obtener información acerca de cómo enviar una solicitud para el SNAP u otros beneficios de asistencia, ingrese a ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov o llame al 1-800-383-4278.

Si tiene otras preguntas o necesita ayuda, comuníquese al **402-946-2781**.

Atentamente,

JJ Wagner, Principal

Instrucciones para completar la Solicitud familiar de comidas escolares gratuitas o a precio reducido

Si su familia recibe beneficios del Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, SNAP), del Programa de Asistencia Temporal para Familias Necesitadas (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, TANF) o del Programa de Distribución de Alimentos en Reservas Indígenas (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, FDIPIR), siga las siguientes instrucciones:

- Parte 1:** Indique el nombre de cada niño, la escuela a la que asiste y el grado en el que se encuentra.
- Parte 2:** Indique el número de caso maestro (Master Case Number) en caso de que su familia califique para los programas SNAP, TANF o FDIPIR.
- Parte 3:** Omite esta parte.
- Parte 4:** Complete esta parte. Un adulto debe firmar el formulario.
- Parte 5:** Esta parte es opcional y no afecta la elegibilidad de su hijo para recibir comidas gratuitas o a precio reducido. Si no selecciona la raza o etnicidad, se puede seleccionar según la observación visual.

En el caso de las familias con NIÑOS EN CUSTODIA, DESAMPARADOS, INMIGRANTES O FUGITIVOS siga las siguientes instrucciones:

Si todos los niños de la familia son niños en custodia:

- Parte 1:** Indique el nombre de todos los niños en custodia, la escuela a la que asisten y el grado en el que se encuentran. Marque la casilla que indica que el niño es un niño en custodia.
- Parte 2:** Omite esta parte.
- Parte 3:** Omite esta parte.
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- Parte 5:** Esta parte es opcional y no afecta la elegibilidad de su hijo para recibir comidas gratuitas o a precio reducido. Si no selecciona la raza o etnicidad, se puede seleccionar según la observación visual.

Si algunos de los niños de la familia son niños en custodia o desamparados, inmigrantes o fugitivos:

- Parte 1:** Indique el nombre de todos los niños, incluidos los niños en custodia, la escuela a la que asisten y el grado en el que se encuentran. Marque la casilla correspondiente si el niño es un niño en custodia.
- Parte 2:** Si la familia no tiene un número de caso maestro (Master Case Number), omite esta parte.
- Parte 3:** Siga estas instrucciones para informar el ingreso familiar total del último mes.
- Columna 1. Miembros de la familia:** escriba el nombre y apellido de cada persona que vive en su hogar, ya sea pariente o no (como abuelos, otros parientes, amigos), y con quienes comparte el ingreso y los gastos. Adjunte otra hoja si fuera necesario.
- Columna 2. Ingresos brutos y frecuencia:** El ingreso bruto es lo que gana **antes de los impuestos y demás deducciones**; no es el sueldo neto. Por cada miembro de la familia, indique el tipo de ingreso recibido al mes. También debe informar la frecuencia con la cual se recibe el dinero: semanalmente, cada dos semanas, dos veces al mes, mensualmente.

Las Ganancias de trabajo incluyen lo siguiente:

- Salarios, sueldos y bonificaciones en efectivo
- Ingreso neto de actividad independiente (agrícola o comercial)

Si usted pertenece al servicio militar de los Estados Unidos, incluya lo siguiente:

- El sueldo básico y las bonificaciones en efectivo (no incluya los pagos por combate, los pagos de Asignación Suplementaria de Subsistencia Familiar [Family Subsistence Supplemental Allowance, FSSA] ni las asignaciones de privatización de viviendas)
- Asignaciones para vivienda fuera de la base, alimentos y vestimenta

No incluya ingresos del Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, SNAP), del Programa de Distribución de Alimentos en Reservas Indígenas (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, FDIPIR), del Programa para Mujeres, Bebés y Niños (Women, Infants and Children, WIC), los beneficios federales para la educación ni los pagos para cuidado de niños en custodia.

Asistencia pública/Manutención de menores/Pensión alimenticia incluye lo siguiente:

- Subsidios por desempleo, indemnización laboral
- Seguridad de ingreso suplementario (Supplemental Security Income, SSI), asistencia en efectivo del gobierno estatal o local
- Beneficios para veteranos, indemnización por huelga
- Manutención de menores, pensión alimentaria

Pensiones/Jubilación/Todos los demás ingresos incluyen lo siguiente:

- Pagos del Seguro Social (incluida la jubilación ferroviaria y los beneficios por enfermedad de pulmón negro)
- Pensiones privadas o beneficios por discapacidad
- Ingresos regulares de fideicomisos o patrimonios, anualidades, ingreso por inversiones, intereses devengados, ingreso de rentas y pagos regulares en efectivo que recibe fuera de la familia.

Si no tiene ningún ingreso, escriba el número "0", o bien, deje el campo del ingreso en blanco. Si hace esto, usted certifica que no hay ningún ingreso que informar.

Cantidad de integrantes de la familia: Ingrese el número de integrantes de su familia.

Número de Seguro Social: El adulto que firme el formulario debe indicar los últimos cuatro dígitos de su Número de Seguro Social (Social Security Number, SSN) o marcar el casillero a la derecha denominado "Marcar si no tiene SSN".

Parte 4: Complete esta parte. Un adulto debe firmar el formulario.

Parte 5: Esta parte es opcional y no afecta la elegibilidad de su hijo para recibir comidas gratuitas o a precio reducido. Si no selecciona la raza o etnicidad, se puede seleccionar según la observación visual.

NOTA: Los niños que cumplen la definición de desamparados, inmigrantes o fugitivos, son elegibles para recibir comidas gratuitas. Sin embargo, el distrito escolar debe tener la documentación archivada de un coordinador de inmigrantes, un contacto con personas desamparados/fugitivos o la lista de Certificación Directa del distrito para aprobar al niño para recibir comidas gratuitas.

TODAS las demás familias deben seguir las siguientes instrucciones:

Parte 1: Indique el nombre de todos los niños, la escuela a la que asisten y el grado en el que se encuentran.

Parte 2: Si la familia no tiene un número de caso maestro (Master Case Number), omita esta parte.

Parte 3: Siga estas instrucciones para informar el ingreso familiar total del último mes.

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CUADRO DE INGRESO FEDERAL para el año escolar 2025-26					
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La **Ley Nacional de Almuerzo Escolar Richard B. Russell** exige la información que aparece en esta solicitud. No tiene que brindar la información, pero si no lo hace, no podemos autorizar que su hijo reciba comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido. Debe incluir los últimos cuatro dígitos del número de Seguro Social del miembro adulto del hogar que firma la solicitud. Los últimos cuatro dígitos del número de Seguro Social no son necesarios si usted envía la solicitud en nombre de un niño en custodia, si indica el número de caso del Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, SNAP), el Programa de Asistencia Temporal para Familias Necesitadas (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, TANF) o el Programa de Distribución de Alimentos en Reservas Indígenas (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, FDIPIR) u otro identificador del FDIPIR para su hijo, o si indica que el miembro adulto del hogar que firma la solicitud no tiene número de Seguro Social. Utilizaremos su información para determinar si su hijo es elegible para recibir comidas gratuitas o a un precio reducido, así como para la administración y el cumplimiento de los programas de almuerzo y desayuno. ES POSIBLE que compartamos su información de elegibilidad con programas de educación, salud y nutrición para ayudarlos a evaluar, financiar y determinar los beneficios de sus programas, con auditores para las revisiones del programa, y con personal de fuerzas de seguridad para ayudarles a investigar infracciones en los reglamentos del programa.

Declaración de no discriminación

De acuerdo con las leyes federales de derechos civiles y las normas y disposiciones de derechos civiles del Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos (USDA, por su sigla en inglés), se prohíbe a esta institución discriminar a causa de raza, color de piel, nacionalidad, sexo (lo que incluye identidad de género y orientación sexual), discapacidad, edad o como represalia por actividades previas relacionadas con los derechos civiles.

Es posible que la información sobre programas esté disponible en otros idiomas, además del inglés. Las personas con discapacidades que necesiten medios alternativos de comunicación para recibir información sobre el programa (p. ej.: sistema braille, letra grande, cinta de audio, lenguaje de señas estadounidense) deben comunicarse con el organismo estatal o local responsable que administre el programa o el Centro TARGET del USDA al 202-720-2600 (voz y TTY) o comunicarse con el USDA a través del Servicio Federal de Trasmisión al 800-877-8339.

Para presentar una queja por discriminación en relación con el programa, el denunciante debe completar un formulario AD-3027, formulario de quejas por discriminación del programa del USDA, que puede obtenerse en línea, de cualquier oficina del USDA, llamando al 866-632-9992 o escribiendo una carta dirigida al USDA. La carta debe contener el nombre del denunciante, su dirección, número de teléfono y una descripción escrita de la supuesta acción discriminatoria con suficiente detalle para informar al Subsecretario de Derechos Civiles (ASCR, por su sigla en inglés) sobre la naturaleza y la fecha de la supuesta violación de los derechos civiles. El formulario AD-3027 completo o la carta deben entregarse al USDA por:

1. correo postal: US. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; o
2. fax: (833) 256-1665 o (202) 690-7442; o
3. correo electrónico: program.intake@usda.gov.

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CREATING A NEW ACCOUNT

1. Visit the website that was provided to you by your school district.
2. Click on **Create an Account**.
3. Provide Requested Information.
4. Click **Create Account**.



ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT – STUDENTS

1. Log into your account.
2. Select **Manage Students** under **Manage Account**.
3. Enter student Last Name and Family or Student ID#.
4. Select **Add Student(s)**.
5. Repeat steps 2-4 to add additional students.



ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT - PAYMENT INFORMATION

1. Log into your Account
2. Select **Payment Methods** under **Payment Settings**.
3. Select **New Credit Card** or **New Direct Debit** to add new payment information.
4. After entering all required information, read Consent and select **Add** to save information to account.



MAKE A PAYMENT

1. Select type of payment you would like to make.
2. Select student.
3. Enter amount of payment.
4. Select **Begin Checkout**.
5. Choose payment method or enter new method.
6. Review items and total.
7. Select **Pay Now**.

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Permission Form

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Name of Medication: _____

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Time to Be Given: _____

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