

Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District

National School Breakfast & Lunch Program



The Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District is pleased to announce its policy of providing free and reduced price meals to eligible children under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program at the following schools:

001 Palmer High
002 Su Valley Jr/Sr High
003 Wasilla High
005 Colony High
006 Burchell High*
007 Houston High
010 Palmer Middle
011 Wasilla Middle
012 Colony Middle
013 Teeland Middle
014 Houston Middle
030 Big Lake Elementary*

032 Iditarod Elementary*
033 Sherrod Elementary
034 Swanson Elementary
035 Talkeenta Elementary
036 Trapper Creek Elementary*
038 Willow Elementary
039 Snowshoe Elementary
041 Butte Elementary
042 Sutton Elementary*
043 Cottonwood Elementary
044 Tanaina Elementary*
045 Pioneer Peak Elementary

047 Finger Lake Elementary
048 Goosebay Elementary
049 Beryozova*
050 Shaw Elementary
053 Machetanz Elementary
054 Denaina Elementary
063 Knik Charter School*
071 Valley Pathways*
073 Career Tech High
077 Mat-Su Day School
080 Redington Jr/Sr High

*CEP (Community Eligible Provision); no application is required at this site for this school year.

Free Meals

130% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	25,935	2,162	1,081	998	499
2	35,165	2,931	1,466	1,353	677
3	44,395	3,700	1,850	1,708	854
4	53,625	4,469	2,235	2,063	1,032
5	62,855	5,238	2,619	2,418	1,209
6	72,085	6,008	3,004	2,773	1,387
7	81,315	6,777	3,389	3,128	1,564
8	90,454	7,546	3,773	3,483	1,742

For each additional family member, add:

9,230	770	385	355	178
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Reduced Price Meals

185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	36,908	3,076	1,538	1,420	710
2	50,043	4,171	2,086	1,925	963
3	63,178	5,265	2,633	2,430	1,215
4	76,313	6,360	3,180	2,936	1,468
5	89,448	7,454	3,727	3,441	1,721
6	102,583	8,549	4,275	3,946	1,973
7	115,718	9,644	4,822	4,451	2,226
8	128,853	10,738	5,369	4,956	2,478

For each additional family member, add:

13,135	1,095	548	506	253
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Applications can be completed online at: www.schoolcafe.com

All school meals meet nutritional standards established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The listed sites will participate in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program (and some schools participate in the Supper Program).

Households with incomes less than or equal to the following effective guidelines are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. These guidelines are effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. If you have children who are approved for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as Food Stamps), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), they are automatically eligible to receive free meals by filling an application that includes their program case number. Contact MSBSD Federal Programs at 907-761-HELP Ext. 8 to see if your student qualifies for free meals under Migrant, Foster, or Families in Transition (FIT/Homeless). Note: Medicaid and Denali Kid Care case numbers do not automatically qualify for eligibility. For more information or to receive an application for free or reduced-price school meals, contact: Diane Russo; Nutrition Services; 690 Cope Industrial Way, Palmer, AK, 99645; Phone: 907-861-5100.

Applications cannot be approved if they are incomplete. Applicants may be asked to verify information provided at any time. Households may apply as many times as needed during the school year if circumstances such as income or family size should change. Children whose parents or guardians become unemployed may be eligible for school meal benefits based on their household income during the period of unemployment. A household whose application is denied will be provided an opportunity to appeal the decision.

This institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider.