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School Meal Changes are Coming to all West Seneca Central Schools in 2022-2023

Will all meals be free?

Meals will continue to be free throughout the summer exclusively for all students attending District-run, full-day summer programs.

The flexibilities we had during COVID have expired, so we will not be able to serve all meals for free to all children in the coming school year. Schools will return to taking applications and using family income to qualify kids for free, reduced price, or paid meals.

We will contact all households in the near future with a link to our new app that allows parents to quickly and easily complete a free and reduced meals application online. You will also receive a surface mail application in August.

My child's school is going to start charging for meals again, but I can't afford to pay. Is there a way my child can get meals for free?

Children are automatically eligible for free meals if anyone in their household receives SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR benefits. All other parents should fill out the form you will receive in August regardless of income. In addition to free meals, application information is attached to Title I funding, which benefits all children through program funding.

We want you to be confident that school meals have to meet strong nutrition standards, and schools are continuing to work hard to serve students the nutritious, delicious meals they need to learn and grow.

Please feel free to call with any additional questions you may have.

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