



Anchorage School District

Department Name

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Anchorage School District is pleased to announce our participation in the National School Lunch Program. Meals will be available to all children at our following schools:

Airport Heights Elementary	Etheldra Davis Fairview Elementary	Polaris K-12*
Alaska Native Cultural	Fire Lake Elementary	Ptarmigan Elementary
Alpenglow Elementary*	Girdwood K-8	Rabbit Creek Elementary
Aurora Elementary*	Gladys Wood Elementary	Ravenwood Elementary
Bartlett High School	Goldenview Middle School	Rogers Park Elementary
Baxter Elementary	Government Hill Elementary	Romig Middle School
Bayshore Elementary*	Gruening Middle School	Russian Jack Elementary
Bear Valley Elementary*	Hanshew Middle School	Sand Lake Elementary
Begich Middle School	Homestead Elementary	Scenic Park Elementary
Benny Benson Secondary	Huffman Elementary	Service High School
Bettye Davis East	Inlet View Elementary	South High School
Anchorage High School	Kasuun Elementary	Spring Hill Elementary
Birchwood ABC Elementary	Kincaid Elementary*	Susitna Elementary
Bowman Elementary*	Klatt Elementary	Taku Elementary
Campbell Elementary	Lake Hood Elementary*	Trailside Elementary
Central Middle School	Lake Otis Elementary	Tudor Elementary*
Chester Valley Elementary	Mears Middle School	Turnagain Elementary
Chinook Elementary	Mirror Lake Middle School	Tyson Elementary
Chugach Optional	Mountain View Elementary	Ursa Minor Elementary*
Chugiak Elementary*	Muldoon Elementary	Wendler Middle School
Chugiak High School	North Star Elementary	West High School
Clark Middle School	Northern Lights ABC	Whale School
College Gate Elementary	Northwood ABC	Williwaw Elementary
Creekside Park Elementary	Nunaka Valley Elementary	Willow Crest Elementary
Denali Montessori	Ocean View Elementary	
Dimond High School	O'Malley Elementary*	
Eagle River Elementary	Orion Elementary	
Eagle River High School		

*Meal program may have start date delay.

Meals meet nutritional standards set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Our schools will participate in the National School Lunch Program.

Educating All Students for Success in Life

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If your income is less than or equal to the following guidelines you are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. These guidelines are effective **July 1, 2023** through **June 30, 2024**. If you have children who are approved for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) formerly known as Food Stamps, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), they are automatically able to receive free meals by filing an application that includes their assistance number from one of those programs. Students who are migrant, homeless, or runaways are automatically eligible and do not need to fill out an application. Foster children receive free meals regardless of the income of the household with which they reside. Note: Medicaid and Denali Kid Care case numbers do not qualify for eligibility.

An income scale is used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price meals.

Alaska Income Eligibility Guidelines July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Reduced Price Meals – 185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	33,689	2,808	1,404	1,296	648
2	45,584	3,799	1,900	1,754	877
3	57,480	4,790	2,395	2,211	1,106
4	69,375	5,782	2,891	2,669	1,335
5	81,271	6,773	3,387	3,126	1,563
6	93,166	7,764	3,882	3,584	1,792
7	105,062	8,756	4,378	4,041	2,021
8	116,957	9,747	4,874	4,499	2,250
For Each Additional family member add:	11,896	992	496	458	229

Free Meals – 130% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	23,673	1,973	987	911	456
2	32,032	2,670	1,335	1,232	616
3	40,391	3,366	1,683	1,554	777
4	48,750	4,063	2,032	1,875	938
5	57,109	4,760	2,380	2,197	1,099
6	65,468	5,456	2,728	2,518	1,259
7	73,827	6,153	3,077	2,840	1,420
8	82,186	6,849	3,425	3,161	1,581
For Each Additional family member add:	8,359	697	349	322	161

Definitions

Family: A household or family is defined as a group of related or unrelated individuals who are living as one economic unit.

Income: Income is the money received by any member of the household before such deductions as taxes and Social Security. It includes the following: salary or wages; earnings from self-employment, Social Security, pensions, retirement and disability payments; and other cash income received or withdrawn from any source which would be available for payment of a child's meal. Food Stamp benefits are not included.

Current income is determined by the income received by all members of the household during the month prior to application. But if this income was much higher or lower than usual, the expected income for this year (12 months starting from the month prior to application) should be used. For example, self-employed people such as fishermen and farmers should use yearly income.

We can't approve your application unless it's complete. The information you give us on your application may be checked at any time. You may apply for free or reduced price meals at any time during the school year if your situation changes. If you become unemployed, your child(ren) may be able to have free or reduced priced meals based on your unemployment income. If we deny your free or reduced price meals application, we will give you a chance to appeal the decision.

Acronyms for Public Assistance:

TANF = Temporary Assistance to Needy Families

FDPRI = Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

SNAP = Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, *formerly the Food Stamp Program*

SSI = Social Security Income

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