

School Year 2019-20

Public Media Release for Free and Reduced-Price Meals

Scotia Union School District announces its policy to serve nutritious meals every school day under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program. Effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals if the household income is less than or equal to the federal guidelines.

The following school districts/school sites are participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) and have amended their policy for serving meals to students under the National School Lunch and/or School Breakfast Programs for the 2019-2020 school year. All students will be served lunch and breakfast at no charge at the following sites: Eureka City Schools (all elementary schools, Winship, and Zoe Barnum only); Fortuna Elementary School District (South Fortuna Elementary and Fortuna Middle School only); Humboldt County Office of Education (Eureka Community School only); Loleta Union School District (Loleta Elementary); Orick School District (Orick Elementary); Peninsula School District (Peninsula Elementary); Rio Dell School District (Eagle Prairie Elementary and Monument Middle School). **Households are not required to submit an Application for the above mentioned school sites.**

Household size	Free Eligibility Scale for Lunch, Breakfast, and Milk					Reduced-Price Eligibility Scale for Lunch and Breakfast				
	Year	Month	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Week	Year	Month	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Week
1	\$ 16,237	\$ 1,354	\$ 677	\$ 625	\$ 313	\$ 23,107	\$ 1,926	\$ 963	\$ 889	\$ 445
2	21,983	1,832	916	846	423	31,284	2,607	1,304	1,204	602
3	27,729	2,311	1,156	1,067	534	39,461	3,289	1,645	1,518	759
4	33,475	2,790	1,395	1,288	644	47,638	3,970	1,985	1,833	917
5	39,221	3,269	1,635	1,509	755	55,815	4,652	2,326	2,147	1,074
6	44,967	3,748	1,874	1,730	865	63,992	5,333	2,667	2,462	1,231
7	50,713	4,227	2,114	1,951	976	72,169	6,015	3,008	2,776	1,388
8	56,459	4,705	2,353	2,172	1,086	80,346	6,696	3,348	3,091	1,546
For each additional family member, add:										
	\$ 5,746	\$ 479	\$ 240	\$ 221	\$ 111	\$ 8,177	\$ 682	\$ 341	\$ 315	\$ 158

Households do not need to turn in an application when the household receives a notification letter saying that all children automatically qualify for free meals when any household member receives benefits from CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR. Children who meet the definition of foster, homeless, migrant, or runaway, and children enrolled in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals. Contact school officials if any child in the household is not on the notification letter. The household must let school officials know if they do not want to receive free or reduced-price meals.

Applications will be sent to the household with a letter about the free and reduced-price meal program. Households that want to apply for meal benefits, must fill out one application for all children in the household and submit it to the school for processing. The school will let you know if your application is approved or denied for free or reduced-price meals.

Households may turn in an application at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now, but your household income goes down, household size goes up, or a household member starts receiving CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR, you may turn in an application at that time. Information given on the application will be used to determine eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school officials. The last four digits of the Social Security number from any adult household or checking that you do not have a Social Security number is required if you include income on the application.

Households that receive Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) benefits, may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals by filling out an application.

Foster children are eligible for free meals and may be included as a household member if the foster family chooses to also apply for the non-foster children on the same application. Including foster children as a household member may help the non-foster children qualify for free or reduced-price meals. If the non-foster children are not eligible, this does not keep foster children from receiving free meals.

Your child's eligibility status from last school year will continue into the new school year for up to 30 school days or until the school processes your new application, or your child is otherwise certified for free or reduced-price meals. After the 30 school days, your child will have to pay full price for meals, unless the household receives a notification letter for free or reduced-price meals. School officials do not have to send reminder or expired eligibility notices.

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