



FREE SCHOOL MEALS

FOR ALL STUDENTS!

**Your School District
has implemented the
Community Eligibility
Program (CEP) throughout
the 2024/2025 school year.**



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN?

What does this mean for your child/ children? He or she is eligible for FREE BREAKFAST and FREE LUNCH at school during the 2024-2025 school year. Your child/children can participate in school breakfast and lunch without having to pay a fee or submit an application. No further action is required by you.

ALL MEALS MEET FEDERAL AND STATE GUIDELINES.

All meals will meet federal and state guidelines. Students must take 3 of the 4 items offered at breakfast, and 1 of those items must be a 1/2 cup fruit. At lunch, students must take 3 of the 5 items offered and 1 of those items must be a 1/2 cup fruit or vegetable.

We are excited to introduce the “Lunch Box Helper” Option! Students that still want to pack a lunch may do so and still participate in school lunch. We offer fresh fruits (apple, banana, orange, etc.), fresh veggies (baby carrots or tossed salad for example) and a choice of milk for students to take as they go through the serving lines. These items, along with the packed items, will help complete their lunch at no additional cost to you.

ARE ALA CARTE ITEMS INCLUDED?

Students who wish to purchase an extra entree, one of our snack options, or just milk must pay for them. This program does not apply to ala carte items.

CONVENIENTLY MANAGE STUDENT ACCOUNTS.

You can add money for your student(s) account to purchase extra meal items or snacks, identify when and what your child/children are eating, and receive low balance account notice by visiting your online payment service.

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Sharpsville Area School District
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Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Sharpsville Area School District will be implementing a new provision known as the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) in the 2024-2025 school year. This program is available to schools and districts that are participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

All enrolled students of Sharpsville Area School District are eligible to receive a nutritional breakfast and lunch each school day at **no charge** to your household.

No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without paying a fee or submitting an application.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at 724-962-8300.

Sincerely,

John P. Vannoy
Superintendent

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

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ATTENTION: If you speak Spanish, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Contact your child's school.

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Comuníquese con la escuela de su niño.