



2019-20 School Year

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Students may qualify for free or reduced-price school meals. To apply, complete the Application for Educational Benefits form mailed to all district households or visit <https://stfrancis.strataapps.com> for the online application. A new application must be submitted each school year. At public schools, the application also helps the school qualify for education funds and discounts.

State funds help pay for reduced-price school meals, all students who are approved for either free or reduced-price school meals will receive school meals at no charge. State funds also help pay for breakfasts for kindergarten students, so all participating kindergarten students receive breakfast at no charge.

Return your completed Application for Educational Benefits to:
St. Francis Area Schools Nutrition Services Department
4111 Ambassador Blvd NW
St. Francis, MN 55070

Who can get free school meals?

Children in households participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), and foster, homeless, migrant and runaway children can get free school meals without reporting household income. Or children can get free school meals if their household income is within the maximum income shown for their household size on the instructions.

To apply for full school meals, please complete the Application for Educational Benefits form.

I get WIC or Medical Assistance. Can my children get free school meals?

Children in households participating in WIC or Medical Assistance may be eligible for free school meals. Please fill out an application.

Who should I include as household members?

Include yourself and all other people living in the household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends).

May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen?

Yes. You or your children do not have to be U.S. citizens for your children to qualify for free or reduced-price school meals.

What if my income is not always the same?

List the amount that you normally get. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get overtime only sometimes. For seasonal work, write in the total annual income.

Will the information I give be checked?

Yes, and we may also ask you to send written proof.

How will the information be kept?

Information you provide on the form, and your child's approval for school meal benefits, will be protected as private data. For more information see the back page of the Application for Educational Benefits.

If I don't qualify now, may I apply later?

Yes. Please complete an application at any time if your income goes down, your household size goes up, or you start getting SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR benefits.

Please provide the information requested about children's racial identity and ethnicity, which helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. This information is not required for approval of school meal benefits.

If you have other questions or need assistance completing the application, call 763-753-7015.

Sincerely,
Wendy Klobe
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REGULAR-PRICED MEALS	
Breakfast Prices	Lunch Prices
\$1.45 Elementary	\$2.30 Elementary
\$1.55 Secondary	\$2.40 Middle School
	\$2.50 High School
A ½ pint of milk is included with a meal.	