

Free and Reduced Meals Program

Your child may be eligible for the Free and Reduced Meals Program. The program provides breakfast and lunch for a reduced price or for free, based on your income. The program is confidential. Children eligible for the program receive a meal card that is the same meal card full-paying students receive. There is no difference.

The chart below shows the Income Eligibility Guidelines used to determine if a child is eligible for free or reduced breakfast and lunch at school. If your annual income is at or below the amount in the second column for the number of people in your household listed in the first column, your child may be eligible for REDUCED meals. If your annual income is below the amount in the 7th column for the number of people in your household listed in the first column, your child may be eligible for FREE meals.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	Annual income for Reduced meals					Annual income for FREE meals				
	INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES									
	Effective from July 1, 2016					to June 30, 2017				
	REDUCED PRICE MEALS - 185 %					FREE MEALS - 130 %				
	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY
18 CONTIGUOUS STATES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, GUAM, AND TERRITORIES										
1	21,978	1,832	916	846	423	15,444	1,287	644	594	297
2	29,637	2,470	1,235	1,140	570	20,826	1,736	868	801	401
3	37,296	3,108	1,554	1,435	718	26,208	2,184	1,092	1,008	504
4	44,955	3,747	1,874	1,730	865	31,590	2,633	1,317	1,215	608
5	52,614	4,385	2,193	2,024	1,012	36,972	3,081	1,541	1,422	711
6	60,273	5,023	2,512	2,319	1,160	42,354	3,530	1,765	1,629	815
7	67,951	5,663	2,832	2,614	1,307	47,749	3,980	1,990	1,837	919
8	75,647	6,304	3,152	2,910	1,455	53,157	4,430	2,215	2,045	1,023
For each add'l family member, add	7,696	642	321	296	148	5,408	451	226	208	104

To Apply for Free and Reduce Lunch,

1. Go to the Neshaminy Website at www.neshaminy.org and click on "School Lunches."



2. Scroll down to Free/Reduced Meals, click on "HERE."

Lunch - Students are offered 5 components and must take 3 - one must be a fruit or veggie. Components offered: 1. Meat/Meat Alternate 2. Bread/Grain, 3. Fruit 4. Vegetable 5. Milk.

Note: Some Entrees include 2 components (M/MA and B/G) such as Pizza, Burgers, Sandwiches, Breakfast Sandwich, Mini Pancakes, etc. When an entree consists of 2 components, the student only has to take a fruit or veggie with the entree - but of course may take all components offered.

Payment Procedures

Neshaminy uses ParentOnline for payments. You will need to register at <http://www.ParentOnline.net> to see balances, choose restrictions, etc. at no cost - but the deposit fee is 5% should you choose to use it. You'll need your child's student ID number which you can find on the report card mailed home last year, by asking your child the number they use to log onto Neshaminy computers, or call your school for the number.

Payments can also be sent to school by cash, check, or money order. Neshaminy School District will never call your home and ask you for credit card information.

Free / Reduced Meals

If you were approved for free or reduced meals during the 2015-2016 school year, your eligibility will carry through Oct 19, 2016 to give you a chance to reapply. **YOU MUST REAPPLY EVERY YEAR FOR FREE AND REDUCED ELIGIBILITY.**

Click [HERE](#) for more information and links to the application forms.

Cash / Change

3. Read the "Helpful Hints" and then click on www.PASCHOOLMEALS.com and begin the online application. If you have any difficulty or if you do not have internet access, you can apply online at your local library or see your school nurse who will assist you.

You can also call the District at 215-809-6542 for help (Suzanne Pritz, (spritz@neshaminy.k12.pa.us) .

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For your convenience and faster processing, the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has provided a **new online Free & Reduced Meals Application** for families to apply for meal benefits for the 2016-2017 school year. **YOU CAN APPLY BY CLICKING HERE:**

WWW.PASCHOOLMEALS.COM

Helpful Hints applying online:

- * Choose the "Register" tab first or the system will not allow you to enter your children.
- * Write down the password you select; it will be required at the end as your electronic signature to complete the application (there is no way to retrieve it if you forget it.)
- * If you currently receive Food Stamps you will need your Eligibility Group Number from the county agency letter (09-XXXXX.)
- * If you need help, please call 215-809-6542.

If you received Free or Reduced benefits last year, your benefits will automatically continue until October 19th, 2016 to give you time to apply for the 2016-2017 school year.

Paper applications are no longer distributed at school.

Families without a computer or internet access can apply online at your local library, school or the Food Service office.

If you do not have a computer or internet access and received free meals last year, call Comcast to inquire if you qualify for their free computer and/or internet access program (you will need a copy of your eligibility letter from last school year which we can provide upon request.) If you qualify this year, provide Comcast with your eligibility letter when you receive it this year.