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Dear Parents:

Although summer is upon us, it is time to begin preparation for the upcoming school year. We are again going to have orientation for 7th grade students on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria. Students will be participating in the following discussions and activities:

1. Welcome/Introduction
2. Outline of student behavioral expectations, by examining new rules/policy/procedures, and reviewing portions of the student handbook most frequently violated (handbooks will be distributed).
3. Gather information and completed forms from parents/students.
4. Inform parents/students about proposed 7th grade schedules.
5. Issue locker assignments

The emergency information card, as well as free and reduced lunch forms will be available. Please complete these accurately. It is especially important to list home, work, and emergency phone numbers.

Please feel free to contact the school at (989) 644-3944 or (989) 644-3901 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you at orientation. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jackson

2012/2013 Vocational Education Students:

If you have registered for a Vocational class from the Mt. Pleasant Area Technical Center for the 2012/2013 school year, transportation from Beal City High School to the Mt. Pleasant Area Technical Center and back to Beal City will be provided for you. All vocational education students MUST use school provided transportation, unless PRIOR written verification or fax is APPROVED by the administration in advance for SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES (e.g. Dr. appt., Funeral, etc.). Permission slips will be available in the High School office for special circumstances, and will need to be AUTHORIZED before you provide your own transportation. Failure to abide by this policy may result in LOSS of your driving privileges, detention or possible suspension.

You will be leaving Beal City at 12:00 p.m. You will be provided the opportunity to eat lunch at Beal City School before leaving for Mt. Pleasant. Please make sure you are on time for departure from both Beal City and Mt. Pleasant. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Have a wonderful experience at the MPATC.

## Driver’s Education

- Students must be 14 years and 8 months old to take segment I.
- classes are taught by Mr. John Ayres. ayres1ja@cmich.edu.
- cost for segment I and segment II \$320
- classes will be scheduled by Mr. Ayres and offered when we have at least 20 students committed to taking the class.

A segment I driver’s education class has been scheduled for this summer beginning on August 16th. Tentative dates for the class are: August 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31. Classes will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in room 430 on these dates. If you are interested in taking driver’s training this summer please attend the first class on August 16 at 10:00 a.m. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend the beginning of the first class with their student as Mr. Ayres will be going over expectations for the class.

## Board Briefs

The following was approved at a regular board meeting on July 16, 2012:

- General Fund payments of \$363,093.74, Hot Lunch payments of \$4,122.18, Capital Projects/General Fund payments of \$27.96, and Athletic Fund payments of \$11,676.19.
- The Regular School Election Resolution as presented.
- The Second Reading of the Elementary Student Handbook with the recommended changes as presented.
- The Second Reading of the Secondary Student Handbook with the recommended changes to the use of Electronic Devices and the credit for Jazz Band.



Krapohl Ford and Beal City Public Schools have partnered up to bring this easy fundraiser to Beal City!

**When:** Friday, August 31st 2012

**What Time:** 2:00p.m. until 8:00p.m.

**Where:** Right out in front of the Beal City Football stadium

**Why:** To raise \$8,000.00 to just test drive a Ford

**How:** Krapohl Ford representatives will NOT be trying to sell you a car! This is about fundraising for the school. If you would like to talk to a Krapohl representative about purchasing a car, please contact them before or after this event, or ask them at this event when a good time would be to stop in and talk to them. The day of the game, just show up fill out a driver form and take a short couple minute test drive in the parking lot. For every test drive, Ford Motor Company will donate \$20 to Beal City Public Schools. One driver per household, but you may use a second address if you have one.



## **Foolish Dreams Rocks the Foundation**

On Saturday night July 14<sup>th</sup> in the Knight of Columbus Hall The Foolish Dreams Band made up of six local Beal City boys (Brian Schafer, Gary Hauck, Mike Steffke, Mark Steffke, Larry Cotter and Chris McBride) donated their time, energy and talents to help the Beal City Education Foundation raise money to fund scholarships and grants to students and staff of Beal City Schools. At the fundraiser, "Rock the Foundation", the band "Foolish Dreams" played for about 150 people who had a blast dancing, singing along, eating and drinking with friends.

Events like this take a number of people to put together. The Foundation Advisory Board would like to thank the following businesses and individuals that helped make the fundraiser a success with donations of time, effort, and or funds: The Foolish Dreams Band, The BC Store for selling tickets, Block Electric for the radio spots advertising the event, Tilmann's Hardware for donating the use of large fans to help keep the hall cooler, Penny Gross for her donation of the finger foods and her preparation of the food, Fox Farms for their donation of two pigs for the pulled pork, Tom, Carol, and Teresa Bierschbach for cooking the pigs, and finally the Foundation Advisory Board members and their spouses Co Chairs Denise McBride and Terry Hutchinson, Chris McBride, Julie Hutchinson, Rod and Julie Freeze, Dave and Kris Moore, Yvonne and Steve Fox, Windy and Chris Carroll, Bill Bellinger, Brock and Donna Horsely, and Ron and Joyce Schafer.

The Rock the Foundation event made just over \$3,000 that will be endowed forever in the Beal City Education Foundation to help support scholarships and grants for Beal City School's students and staff well into the future. The Beal City Education Foundation now has just under \$50,000 endowed in the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation. The yearly interest from this money is what is used to provide scholarships and grants each year. As the money that is endowed grows so too will the yearly interest that will be available for future scholarships and grants.



<b>Volleyball Varsity</b>		
Sat. Aug 18	9:00 a.m.	@Carson City
Thurs. Aug. 23	8:00 a.m.	SHA @Morey Courts
Tues. Aug. 28	7:00 p.m.	Mt. Pleasant
Wed. Sept. 5	6:00 p.m.	@Shepherd
Sat. Sept. 8	9:00 a.m.	@Montabella Invitational
Tues. Sept. 11	6:00 p.m.	@Pine River
Sat. Sept. 15	9:00 a.m.	Beal City Invitational
Tues. Sept. 18	6:00 p.m.	Lake City
Tues. Sept. 25	7:00 p.m.	@McBain NMC
Thurs. Sept. 27	6:00 p.m.	@SHA
Sat. Sept. 29	8:00 a.m.	Sunset Invitational @St. Louis
Tues. Oct. 2	7:00 p.m.	McBain
Tues. Oct. 9	6:00 p.m.	@Marion
Sat. Oct. 13	9:00 a.m.	@Mt. Pleasant Invite
Tues. Oct. 16	6:00 p.m.	@Manton
Sat. Oct. 20	8:00 a.m.	@Spirit of St Louis Invitational
Tues. Oct. 23	6:00 p.m.	Evart
Sat. Oct. 27	9:00 a.m.	Highland Conference Meet @Beal City
<b>JV</b>		
Thurs. Aug. 23	8:00 a.m.	SHA @ Morey Courts
Sat. Aug. 25	9:00 a.m.	Beal City Invite
Tues. Aug 28	6:00 p.m.	Mt. Pleasant
Wed. Sept. 5	6:00 p.m.	@Shepherd
Sat. Sept. 8	9:00 a.m.	@Carson City Invitational
Tues. Sept. 11	6:00 p.m.	@Pine River
Tues. Sept. 18	6:00 p.m.	Lake City
Tues. Sept. 25	6:00 p.m.	@McBain NMC
Thurs. Sept. 27	6:00 p.m.	@SHA
Sat. Sept. 29	9:00 a.m.	@Montabella Invitational
Tues. Oct. 2	6:00 p.m.	McBain
Thurs. Oct. 4	6:00 p.m.	@SHA
Tues. Oct. 9	6:00 p.m.	@Marion
Tues. Oct. 16	6:00 p.m.	@Manton
Sat. Oct. 20	9:00 a.m.	@Chippewa Hills
Tues. Oct. 23	6:00 p.m.	Evart
Sat. Oct. 27	9:00 a.m.	Highland Conference Meet @Evart
Fri. Nov. 9	6:00 p.m.	@Marion
Fri. Nov. 16	6:00 p.m.	@Manton
Fri. Nov. 23	6:00 p.m.	Evart
<b>Freshman</b>		
Thurs. Aug. 23	8:00 a.m.	SHA@Morey Courts
Sat. Aug. 25	9:00 a.m.	Beal City JV Invitational
Tues. Aug 28	6:00 p.m.	Mt. Pleasant
Wed. Sept. 5	6:00 p.m.	@Shepherd
Sat. Sept. 15	9:00 a.m.	@Alma Invitational
Thurs. Sept. 20	5:00 p.m.	SHA
Thurs. Sept. 27	6:00 p.m.	@SHA
Tues. Oct. 2	6:00 p.m.	McBain
Sat. Oct. 13	9:00 a.m.	Beal City Invitational
Sat. Oct. 20	9:00 a.m.	@Ithaca Invitational

<b>Football Varsity</b>		
Fri. Aug. 24	7:00 p.m.	SHA
Fri. Aug. 31	7:00 p.m.	Clare
Fri. Sept. 7	7:00 p.m.	Evart
Fri. Sept. 14	7:00 p.m.	@Manton
Fri. Sept. 21	7:00 p.m.	@Pinconning
Fri. Sept. 28	7:00 p.m.	Lake City
Fri. Oct. 5	7:00 p.m.	McBain
Fri. Oct. 12	7:00 p.m.	@Marion
Fri. Oct. 19	7:00 p.m.	@Pine River
<b>JV</b>		
Thurs. Aug. 23	6:30 p.m.	@SHA
Thurs. Aug. 30	7:00 p.m.	@Clare
Thurs. Sept. 6	6:30 p.m.	@Evart
Thurs. Sept. 13	6:30 p.m.	Manton
Thurs. Sept. 20	6:30 p.m.	Pinconning
Thurs. Sept. 27	6:30 p.m.	@Lake City
Thurs. Oct. 4	6:30 p.m.	@McBain
Thurs. Oct. 18	6:30 p.m.	Pine River
<b>Cross Country Varsity</b>		
Tues. Aug. 21	10:00 a.m.	@Chippewa Hills
Wed. Aug. 29	4:00 p.m.	@Clare Invite
Wed. Sept. 5	5:00 p.m.	@Ovid Elsie Invite
Tues. Sept. 11	4:00 p.m.	Beal City Invite
Tues. Sept. 18	4:30 p.m.	Conference Jamboree @ McBain
Sat. Sept. 29	9:00 a.m.	@Carson City Invitational
Tues. Oct. 2	4:30 p.m.	Conference Jamboree @Beal City
Fri. Oct. 12	4:00 p.m.	@Montabella Invite
Tues. Oct. 16	4:30 p.m.	Conference Jamboree @Marion
<b>Junior High - Cross Country</b>		
Wed. Aug. 29	4:00 p.m.	@Clare Invite
Wed. Sept. 5	5:00 p.m.	@Ovid Elsie Invite
Tues. Sept. 18	4:30 p.m.	Conferernce Jamboree @McBain
Sat. Sept. 29	9:00 a.m.	@Carson City Invitational
Tues. Oct. 2	4:30 p.m.	Conference Jamboree @Beal City
Sat. Oct 6	TBA	@Hesperia Invite
Fri. Oct. 12	4:00 p.m.	@Montabella Invite
Tues. Oct. 16	4:30 p.m.	Conference Jamboree @ Marion

# FALL SPORTS

\*\*The Junior High Volleyball Schedule will print in September\*\*

## CLASS LISTS

Class lists will be posted on the front doors of Mayes Elementary School starting the third Wednesday of August (Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>). Elementary students will also receive their class placements and supply requests in the mail near that date. If you do not receive any information by August 27, please contact the elementary office at 644-2740.

## SCHOOL HOURS

This is just a reminder that the hours of operation for Mayes Elementary School are from 8:00 a.m. until 2:50 p.m. Elementary students will be able to enter the cafeteria at 7:35 a.m. for breakfast. All other elementary students will have supervision on the playground starting at 7:35 a.m. as well. Lunch and recess will continue to be held from 11:00 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.

## MAYES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE & PTA PICNIC

Mayes Elementary will be having their annual Welcome Back to School Open House, on Thursday, August 30 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. The Open House is informal, allowing Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> graders and their families to meet their teachers and visit classrooms prior to the start of school. The PTA will also be hosting a picnic at this time, to help welcome all the kids back to school. The PTA will be asking for a \$6 donation per family for the picnic, which includes hot dogs, chips, and drinks. A donation will also give each family a membership to the Beal City Mayes Elementary PTA. If you have any questions regarding our Open House, please contact the elementary office at 644-2740.

## STUDENT DROP-OFF PROCEDURES

When dropping children off at Mayes Elementary School, please encourage them to use the crosswalk by the front entrance. It is difficult to see students when they are cutting through the parking lot and walking in between buses. We have had some close calls in the past and hope to avoid these situations in the future. Vehicles are also prohibited from parking in the yellow Bus Loading Zone in front of the building-even on a temporary basis. This, again, presents a hazard to children, bus drivers and other vehicles. We do appreciate those of you who follow these safety procedures.

## ELEMENTARY DRESS CODE

This is a reminder to all students and families attending Mayes Elementary School. Flip flops, Wheelies/ Heelies and backless sandals are not appropriate footwear in school due to safety concerns. Shoes worn to school also must not have a heel that exceeds one inch. Bare midriiffs, tank tops and sleeveless shirts less than two inches wide on the shoulders are not acceptable. For further Dress Code guidelines, please refer to the 2012-13 Mayes Elementary Parent/ Student Handbook. Thank you for your cooperation.

## NOVEMBER ELECTION

There are four positions on the Beal City Board of Education up for election in November 2012. There will be a 2 year seat made vacant by the resignation of Ed VanAvery, and another 4 year seat that was made vacant when Kari Rojas decided not to rerun in 2010. Jane Finnerty was appointed to fill that seat but her seat is now up for election. Frank Fox and Denise McBride’s terms are also up for election and their seats are both (6) year seats. Anyone interested in running for a position should contact Judy Schumacher at 644-3431 to pick up nominating petitions. Nominating petitions need to be filed with Judy by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14th.

# Got School Breakfast?

Does your child miss breakfast—no time or simply isn't hungry first thing in the morning?

Here's a solution:  
**School Breakfast!**

School breakfast provides 1/4 of your child's daily nutrition needs and research shows breakfast provides fuel for school and boosts brain power. Breakfast at school is affordable, too. It's available for all students and if you qualify for free or reduced price lunch, you also qualify for the free or reduced price breakfast.

Encourage your child to join us every day for school breakfast.



## Beal City Public Schools

Elementary School Price: **\$1.20**

Middle School Price: **\$1.20**

High School Price: **\$1.20**

Free and Reduced Price for Families Who Qualify: **\$0.0 - \$0.30**

Times Served: **7:35 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.**

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

### 13. WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE AS MEMBERS OF MY HOUSEHOLD?

You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of the expenses), do not include them.

### 14. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME?

List the amount that you normally get. For example, if you normally get \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only got \$900, put down that you get \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get it only sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

### 15. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE INCLUDE OUR HOUSING ALLOWANCE AS INCOME?

If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.

### 16. WHAT IF MY CHILD DOES NOT HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE?

Your children may qualify for low cost or free health insurance through MICHild and Healthy Kids Program. To apply online, go to [www.michigan.gov/michild](http://www.michigan.gov/michild) or call 1-888-988-6300 for help or to request a paper application.

### 17. MY SPOUSE IS DEPLOYED TO A COMBAT ZONE. IS HIS/HER COMBAT PAY COUNTED AS INCOME?

No, if the combat pay is received in addition to his/her basic pay because of his/her deployment and it wasn't received before he/she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.

### 18. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR?

To find out how to apply for Food Assistance Program (FAP) or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-800-481-4989.

## Café News

### Automatic Low Balance E-Mails through Meal Magic

We have set up automatic low balance email notifications through Meal Magic. Parents will receive daily emails when your child(ren) owe money. These emails will be automatically sent every week day until the account has money in it. This is a great feature to inform parents before they reach three charges and we don't have to send letters home with students. We are asking you to please include your email address on your child(ren)'s emergency card so everyone can benefit from this new feature.

## Aggie Market

Beal City Schools will be hosting a farmers' market again this summer. The market will be held on Mondays from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. beginning July 16th. If you are interested in selling, please contact Tami Chilman @ 989-878-1661 or by email: [chilly@charter.net](mailto:chilly@charter.net). Please refer to [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov) (search for Cottage Foods Information) for additional information and guidelines.

## Dual Enrolled Students

This is a notice that there will be a dual enrollment orientation meeting on Monday, August 27th in the computer lab, at 10:00 a.m. Ms. Julie Fortino from Mid-Michigan Community College will be here at that time to assist you with all things regarding your college course(s). She will go over how to login to the portal, check your college email, correspond with your professors and much more. Please be in attendance for this meeting. If you're unable to attend and still are unsure on how to begin your dual course, please contact me via email at [smillero@edzone.net](mailto:smillero@edzone.net) and I will get you the information that you may need. However, it is best advised to be in attendance for this orientation, in order to be best prepared for your college course(s).

See you next month!

Mrs. Millerov

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Beal City Schools and St. Joseph the Worker offers healthy meals every school day. Students may buy lunch at Beal for \$ 2.00 at St. Joseph's \$2.75 and breakfast at Beal for \$1.20. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. We sell reduced price lunches for \$ .40 and breakfast at Beal for \$.30. If a doctor has determined that your child has a disability, and the disability would prevent the child from eating the regular school meal, the school will make *any substitution prescribed by a licensed physician* at no extra charge. The physician's statement, including prescribed diet and/or substitution, must be submitted to the food service department at your school. For further information, please call Marci Faber at 989-644-3901 or Diane Wilson at 989-644-3970.

1. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?  
No. Complete the application to apply for free and reduced price school meals. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Family Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: Beal City Schools, 3180 W. Beal City Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 or St. Joseph the Worker, 2091 N. Winn Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.
2. WHO CAN GET FREE MEALS?  
Children in households getting Food Assistance Program (FAP), Family Independence Program (FIP), or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), can get free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Guidelines.
3. CAN FOSTER CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?  
Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income.
4. CAN HOMELESS, RUNAWAY, AND MIGRANT CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?  
Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call Jeff Jackson at 989-644-3944 or Diane Wilson at 989-644-3970, homeless liaison or migrant coordinator to see if your child(ren) qualify.
5. WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS?  
Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Income Guidelines.
6. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS?  
Please read the letter you got carefully and follow any instructions if provided. Call the school, Beal at 989-644-3901 or St. Joe's at 989-644-3970.
7. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE?  
Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year. You *must* send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
8. I GET WOMEN, INFANTS, & CHILDREN (WIC). CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS?  
Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. An application must be filled out by WIC households.
9. WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE VERIFIED?  
Yes, we may ask you to send written proof of any information provided on the application.
10. IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?  
Yes. You may apply at any time during the school year if your house-hold size goes up, income goes down, or if you start getting FAP, FIP, FDPIR, or other benefits. If you lose your job, your children may be able to get free or reduced price meals.
11. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION?  
You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: William Chilman, 3180 W. Beal City Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858, 989-644-3901 or Mary Hauck, 2091 N. Winn Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858, 989-644-3970.
12. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN?  
Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be a U.S. citizen to qualify for free or reduced price meals.

## Price Changes in the Cafeteria and New Federal Regulations

As the new school year approaches, new ideas and prices are being brought to the cafeteria. Many changes have taken place including an unfortunate but slight increase in the prices of food due to Federal Government Law. The new prices for the 2012-2013 school year are as follows: Secondary and Elementary lunch is \$2.00. Milk for all students is \$.50. Breakfast stayed the same at \$1.20. Each day, the students will be given a choice between two lunches that the state requires must consist of three of the five necessary components: meat/meat alternate, fruit, vegetable, bread and milk. If students do not choose three of these components then it will be considered ala carte. It will be more nutritious and cost effective to purchase a lunch versus ala carte.

Note: with the new Federal Regulations students must take a fruit or vegetable to have it count as a full reimbursable lunch. Diversity in fruits and vegetables will be seen this year. Including: leafy greens, legumes (beans and peas), red/orange vegetables and fresh fruit. Bread will all be whole grain rich. Plus, all meals will comply with new Federal regulations on calorie and fat content. The September menu is not complete due to the constant changes in these regulations. We are hoping to have it completed by the middle of August. Please check the school's website for updates.

Our theme days will continue every month this year. In October we are going to celebrate homecoming with "Aggie Pride" October 1st-5th. Please check out our website calendar for dates of all theme days. We hope that all students will join us. The cafeteria staff is very excited about these changes and hopes that you and your students are too. We can't wait to welcome every one back!

## Free/reduced applications:

This is a free/reduced application. You only need to fill out one per family. We would like you to send these in before school starts so that we may begin processing your applications. Please mail these in by August 17, 2012 to: Beal City Public Schools, 3180 W. Beal City Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.

Students who qualified last year will start this year at that same status but are required to fill out a new application every year. If you have a new child starting school or are new to this school, your child will be full pay until their application can be processed. You are responsible for any money accumulated in your child's account until their status has been determined. This can sometimes take a week, although, we try to start processing new students first.

Applications that are not fully completed cannot be processed. Please take the time to make sure that all of the proper information is listed. If you are using food stamps make sure that you give us your case number. The state will accept no other number so please double check this to ensure a speedy verification.

**Note: A "0" must be in the income box or circled for ALL household members that do not contribute income to the household... even if it is your child. Applications cannot be processed without this being completed.**

Thank you,  
Marci Faber

FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS FAMILY APPLICATION

Part 1 - If the child you are applying for is homeless, migrant or a runaway, check the appropriate category and verify with the district/school Homeless Liaison or Migrant coordinator at \_\_\_\_\_  
Homeless \_\_\_\_\_ Migrant \_\_\_\_\_ Runaway \_\_\_\_\_  
List the Child's Name, Grade, and Building in Part 3.

Part 2 - If any member of your household received Food Assistance Program (FAP), Family Independence Program(FIP), or FDIPIR, provide the name and case number for the person who receives benefits.  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bridge Card Numbers and Medicaid Numbers are NOT ACCEPTABLE case numbers  
If a case number is provided only students need to be listed in Part 3.

Part 3 - Household Names - List below *all* people living in your household, students and non-students, foster children, related or unrelated. For example, grandparents, other relatives, and/or friends, including yourself and children who live with you, *must* be listed.  
**Part 4 - Total Household Gross Incomes** - Include the amount of money and circle how often it is received. If the person does not receive any income "\$0" must be circled in the column Circle if NO income. If you listed a FAP/FIP/FDIPIR number in Part 2, skip to Part 5.

Names	Circle Yes if Foster Child	Grade (if applicable)	Building Name (if applicable)	Circle if NO Income		Earnings from Work (before any deductions and taxes)		Welfare, Child Support, Alimony		Pensions, Retirement, Social Security		All Other Income	
						weekly	every 2 weeks	weekly	every 2 weeks	weekly	every 2 weeks	weekly	every 2 weeks
Example: Jane Doe	Yes			\$0	monthly	twice a month	monthly		twice a month	twice a month	monthly		twice a month
1	Yes			\$0	weekly	twice a month	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month	weekly	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month
2	Yes			\$0	twice a month	monthly	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly
3	Yes			\$0	weekly	twice a month	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month	weekly	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month
4	Yes			\$0	twice a month	monthly	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly
5	Yes			\$0	weekly	twice a month	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month	weekly	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month
6	Yes			\$0	twice a month	monthly	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly
7	Yes			\$0	weekly	twice a month	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month	weekly	every 2 weeks	weekly	twice a month
8	Yes			\$0	twice a month	monthly	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly	twice a month	monthly

Part 5 - Signature and Last Four (4) Digits of Adult Social Security Number (Adult household member *MUST sign and date*).  
If Part 4 is completed, the adult signing the form must also list the last four (4) digits of his or her Social Security Number or check the "I do not have a social security number box". See Privacy Act Statement on the back of this page.

I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the sponsor will get federal funds based on the information I give. I understand that sponsor officials may verify (check) the information. I understand that if I purposely give false information, my child may lose benefits and I may be prosecuted.

Sign Here: X \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ I do not have a Social Security Number

Last Four (4) Digits of Adult Social Security Number: XXX-XX-\_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
By providing your email address you may be notified via email of your eligibility for free and reduced price school meals.

Part 6 - Child's Racial/Ethnic Identity (optional)

Check One or More Racial Identities:

\_\_\_\_\_ American Indian or Alaskan Native \_\_\_\_\_ Asian \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Black or African American \_\_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Check One Ethnic Identity:

\_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic or Latino \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Neither Hispanic or Latino \_\_\_\_\_

Privacy Act Information: Social Security Number

The Richard B. Russell School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four (4) digits of the Social Security Number of the adult household member who signs the application. The Social Security Number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child, list a FAP or FIP case number or other FDIPIR identifier for your child, or indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a Social Security Number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

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VERIFICATION - FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Date Selected for Verification: _____	Date Follow-up/Second Notice: _____	Date of Adverse Notice Sent: _____
Confirming Officials Signature: _____	Follow-up Official's Signature: _____	
Response Due from Household: _____	Verification Official's Signature: _____	
FAP/FIP/FDIPIR/Foster Eligibility: Not confirmed _____ Confirmed: _____ Department of Human Services _____ Notice of Eligibility _____	Income \$ _____ Weekly _____ Every 2 weeks _____ Twice a month _____ Monthly _____ Annual _____ Wage Stubs _____ Written Documents _____ Collateral Contact _____ Agency Records _____ Other _____	Verification Result Free to Reduced _____ Free to Paid _____ Reduced to Free _____ Reduced to Paid _____ No Change _____ Reason for Eligibility Change: Income _____ Household Size _____ Refused to Cooperate _____ Other _____

APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL - FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice a Month x 24, Monthly x 12	
Household Size: _____ Total Gross Income: \$ _____ Weekly _____ Every 2 Weeks _____ Twice a Month _____ Monthly _____ Annual _____ Number of Children Free _____ Number of Children Reduced _____ Number of Children Paid _____ Temporary Free - Time Period: _____ (expires after _____ days)	Reason for Denial: Income Too High _____ Incomplete Application _____ Other (specify) _____

Determining Official's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Dropped/Withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_