



# ALLEN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Amanda Omodio, Director of Food Service

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**RE: UNIVERSAL FREE MEALS FOR ALL STUDENTS ENDS JUNE 30, 2022  
APPLY NOW FOR FALL 2022 – FREE/REDUCED MEALS**

Dear Allen Park School Families, Staff, and Community Members,

I wanted to take this opportunity to send out a quick update regarding important information on behalf of the Food Service Department and how it will affect next school year.

When waivers expire on June 30, the United States Department of Agriculture will no longer have authority to allow all schools to serve free meals to all students. **This means that we will go back to the National School Lunch Program that we had in place before the pandemic. Free & reduced applications will once again be required for all students who qualify.** If your student does not qualify for free or reduced status, they will be considered full pay and will have to abide by the meal charging policy. The meal charging policy is attached to this email for your convenience. Please take a moment to read it over. In your student's back to school updates you will have to check a box stating that you have read and agree to the policy.

I have also attached the 2021/2022 school year free & reduced application and am providing the link to our online application - <https://frapps.horizonsolana.com/welcome> Please fill out an application if you feel your student(s) may qualify. Filling out this school years' application will give you a thirty-day grace period into the 2022/2023 school year and will allow you time to fill out a **new** application, so your student's status does not expire. It is important to know that qualifying for free & reduced status has other benefits to families such as reduced testing and athletic fees.

We appreciate your understand in this matter and are committed to serving your student(s) the healthy and delicious meals to fuel them for success.

Sincerely,

*Amanda Omodio*

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