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Rosemead School District Announces its Policy to Serve Nutritious Meals Every School Day Under the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and Child & Adult Care Food Program

Rosemead, California: The Rosemead School District announces its policy to serve nutritious meals every school day under the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and Child & Adult Care Food Program. All Rosemead SD schools offer breakfast to ALL students at NO CHARGE. Effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, children are eligible for free or reduced price lunch meals if the household income is less than or equal to the federal guidelines.

	<u>FREE</u> Eligibility Scale for Lunch, Breakfast, and Milk					REDUCED-PRICE Eligibility Scale for Lunch and Breakfast				
Household size	Year	Hou Month	sehold Inco Twice Per Month	ome Every Two Weeks	Week	Year	Hou Month	isehold Inco Twice Per Month	ome Every Two Weeks	Week
1	\$ 15,782	\$ 1,316	\$ 658	\$ 607	\$ 304	\$ 22,459	\$ 1,872	\$ 936	\$ 864	\$ 432
2	21,398	1,784	892	823	412	30,451	2,538	1,269	1,172	586
3	27,014	2,252	1,126	1,039	520	38,443	3,204	1,602	1,479	740
4	32,630	2,720	1,360	1,255	628	46,443	3,870	1,935	1,786	893
5	38,246	3,188	1,594	1,471	736	54,427	4,536	2,268	2,094	1,047
6	43,862	3,656	1,828	1,687	844	62,419	5,202	2,601	2,401	1,201
7	49,478	4,124	2,016	1,903	952	70,411	5,868	2,934	2,709	1,355
8	55,094	4,592	2,296	2,119	1,060	78,403	6,534	3,267	3,016	1,508
For each additional family member, add:										
	\$ 5,616	\$ 468	\$ 234	\$ 216	\$ 108	\$ 7,992	\$ 666	\$ 333	\$ 308	\$ 154

School Year 2018–19 Free and Reduced-Price Meals

Households do not need to turn in an application when the household receives a notification letter saying that all children automatically qualify for free meals when any household member receives benefits from CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR. Children who meet the definition of foster, homeless, migrant, or runaway are eligible for free meals. Contact school officials if any child in the household is not on the notification letter. The household must let school officials know if they do not want to receive free or reduced-price meals.

Applications will be sent to the household with a letter about the free and reduced-price meal program. Households that want to apply for meal benefits, must fill out one application for all children in the household and give it to the nutrition office at 3907 Rosemead Blvd, Rosemead, CA 91770. For a simple and secure method to apply, use our online application at www.schoolcafe.com and Contact Mrs. Lynn Nguyen at (626) 312-2900 x254

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for assistance filling out the application. The Nutrition Services Department will notify you know if your application is approved or denied for free or reduced-price meals.

Households may turn in an application at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now, but your household income goes down, household size goes up, or a household member starts receiving CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR, you may turn in an application at that time. Information given on the application will be used to determine eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school officials. The last four digits of the Social Security number from any adult household or checking that you do not have a Social Security number is required if you include income on the application.

Households that receive Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) benefits, may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals by filling out an application.

Foster children are eligible for free meals and may be included as a household member if the foster family chooses to also apply for the non-foster children on the same application. Including foster children as a household member may help the non-foster children qualify for free or reduced-price meals. If the non-foster children are not eligible, this does not keep foster children from receiving free meals.

Your child's eligibility status from last school year will continue into the new school year for up to 30 school days or until the school processes your new application, or your child is otherwise certified for free or reduced-price meals. After the 30 school days, your child will have to pay full price for meals, unless the household receives a notification letter for free or reduced-price meals. School officials do not have to send reminder or expired eligibility notices.

If you do not agree with the decision or results of verification, you may discuss it with school district officials. You also have the right to a fair hearing, which may be requested by submitting a written request to the hearing official: c/o: Dr. Armida Carreon, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Rosemead School District, 3907 Rosemead Blvd., Rosemead, CA 91770 or via fax at (626) 307-6148. Dr. Carreon can be reached at (626) 312-2900 x219.

The Rosemead School District is an equal opportunity provider.

About Rosemead School District

The Rosemead School District (RSD) was established in 1859 and is a Local Education Agency (LEA) led by Interim Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Fang. The District's education program includes students in preschool, transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1st through 8th. The Rosemead School District offers programs as follows and are not limited to: Full Day Kindergarten, English Language Development (ELD); Instrumental Music program (4th-8th grades); Student in Need program; State Preschool; Transitional Kindergarten; Full Day Kindergarten; Before and Afterschool programs: K.S.A.R.T. (Kinder After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.A.R.T. (After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.A.R.T. (After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.E.S. (After School Education and Safety) program; Migrant Education Program; Gifted and Talented Program (GATE); Science Olympiad; Franklin Covey's Leader in Me[®] Program and 7-Habits[®]; Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS); Migrant Education programs. For more information about the Rosemead School District, please visit www.rosemead.k12.ca.us. For more information about school programs, please contact the Educational Services Department at (626) 312-2900 x213.

We encourage everyone to follow the Rosemead School District via the *free* Rosemead Mobile App, download the app today (for instructions visit <u>https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/Page/336</u>). Stay informed about the great things happening at the Rosemead School District via Twitter a <u>@communicateRSD</u>, Instagram <u>@communicationsrsd</u>, or follow our YouTube Channel at <u>www.youtube.com/communicationscenterRSD</u>.