



WOODBIDGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Children need healthy meals to learn. The **Woodbridge Township School District** offers healthy meals every school day. **Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals.**

Please read below regarding the Free/Reduced meals application process as some things have changed this year:

1. The annual income amount limits have been raised. This means that you may be eligible this year, when you were not eligible in years past.
2. You DO need to apply every year – even if you were eligible last year – to receive free/reduced meals. The status does not carry over.
3. You only have to fill out the application once per family. You do NOT have to complete the application for every child in your household, even if they go to different schools.
4. You do not need to submit an application if you were automatically approved or direct certified through SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) or Foster care.
5. Your US citizenship or immigration status does not affect your eligibility for free and reduced price benefits.
6. If you apply now and are denied and your situation changes, you may re-apply.
7. If your income is not always the same, put the amount you normally receive.
8. If a household member has no income to report, put zero in the field.

To access the lunch application, log into Genesis Parent Portal -

<https://parent.woodbridge.k12.nj.us/woodbridge/sis/view?gohome=true> and go to Forms. At the bottom of the screen, you will see the application. If you are SNAP, TANF or Foster Care, the APPLY tab will not appear as you are automatically certified.

Online Free and Reduced Lunch Application

Lunch Application Status

No application has been submitted

Apply

Please see further below for incomes that qualify for free/reduced meals. If you have any questions, please contact the main office. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Joseph A. Short
Principal

Form 427
June 2023



Federal & New Jersey Expanded Income Eligibility Guidelines

Effective School Year 2023-24: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Federal Free Meals

Participants qualify for free meals if the household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
- 1 -	18,954	1,580	790	729	365
- 2 -	25,636	2,137	1,069	986	493
- 3 -	32,318	2,694	1,347	1,243	622
- 4 -	39,000	3,250	1,625	1,500	750
- 5 -	45,682	3,807	1,904	1,757	879
- 6 -	52,364	4,364	2,182	2,014	1,007
- 7 -	59,046	4,921	2,461	2,271	1,136
- 8 -	65,728	5,478	2,739	2,528	1,264
Each add'l household member add	6,682	557	279	257	129

Federal Reduced Price Meals

Participants qualify for reduced price meals if the household income falls at or below the limits on this chart and above the limits on the Federal Free Meals chart.

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
- 1 -	26,973	2,248	1,124	1,038	519
- 2 -	36,482	3,041	1,521	1,404	702
- 3 -	45,991	3,833	1,917	1,769	885
- 4 -	55,500	4,625	2,313	2,135	1,068
- 5 -	65,009	5,418	2,709	2,501	1,251
- 6 -	74,518	6,210	3,105	2,867	1,434
- 7 -	84,027	7,003	3,502	3,232	1,616
- 8 -	93,536	7,795	3,898	3,598	1,799
Each add'l household member add	9,509	793	397	366	183

New Jersey Expanded Income Guideline (EIG)

New Jersey participants qualify for meals at no charge if the household income falls at or below the limits on this chart and above the limits on the Federal Reduced Price Meal chart.

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
- 1 -	29,015	2,418	1,209	1,116	558
- 2 -	39,243	3,271	1,636	1,510	755
- 3 -	49,472	4,123	2,062	1,903	952
- 4 -	59,700	4,975	2,488	2,297	1,149
- 5 -	69,929	5,828	2,914	2,690	1,345
- 6 -	80,158	6,680	3,340	3,083	1,542
- 7 -	90,386	7,533	3,767	3,477	1,739
- 8 -	100,615	8,385	4,193	3,870	1,935
Each add'l household member	10,229	853	427	394	197

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 weeks x 26, Twice a month x 24, and Monthly x 12