

Free or Reduced Meal Application Process

Children need healthy meals to learn. **Lockhart ISD** offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **\$1.20**; lunch costs **\$1.65** for Elementary (PK-5th) and **\$1.90** Secondary (6th-12th). Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced-price meals. Reduced price is **\$.30** for breakfast and **\$.40** for lunch.

Your children may be eligible for free or reduced price meals if your household size and income is within the limits of the [Income Eligibility Chart](#). Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

Homeless, runaway and migrant children are also eligible for free meals. If you have not been notified of free status under these categories, please call Raymond Rayos at 512-398-0015 to see if your child(ren) qualify.

Applications with a letter to parents or guardians concerning free and reduced price meals are sent to all homes with students enrolled in LOCKHART ISD. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should complete the application and return it to the school or the Lockhart Food Service Office, 401 Bois D'Arc Street, 512-398-0292 or 1-877-687-9900 (ARAMARK option).

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on the school lunch 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 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 or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program. 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.

If a parent/guardian disagrees with the school's decision regarding their school lunch application may talk to school officials. Each parent/guardian also has the right to ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: The Assistant Superintendent, 105 S. Colorado St, Lockhart, TX 78644, or phone number 512-398-0000.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the food service office. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels in the chart.

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