



Dear Louisville Families,

Effective for School Year 2021-22, Louisville Public Schools will serve meals at no charge to enrolled students. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has approved use of the Seamless Summer Option (SSO), which allows local school districts to provide no-cost meals to all enrolled students for the duration of the 2021-22 school year. Currently the state of Nebraska has informed all Nebraska schools that this process will be in place for the duration of the upcoming school year, or until funds run out.

A single free breakfast and lunch will be provided daily to all kindergarten through 12th grade students who are actively attending school. The waiver extension has been provided through the USDA to assist families in the recovery of Covid - 19.

The Nebraska Department of Education has indicated that this service will continue through the 2021 - 2022 school year, **OR** until the USDA funding stops. If funding runs out, the district will be notified by the Nebraska Department of Education, in return, we will notify our families as to the end date of the program. When this waiver expires, we will transition back to our current meal service practice, in accordance with the NDE and USDA guidelines. At that time, students will resume their current regular, reduced, or free meal rate status.

***Please keep in mind only the 1st breakfast and lunch meal is free, students will still be charged for all extra meals, extra, or single milk purchases, and a la carte items at normal prices.**

Reminder – This is for FULL breakfast and lunch meal trays, not for individual a la carte items, second meals, or milk. In order for your child to receive a free breakfast or lunch, they must take **all** the required meal components that make up a full tray.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Andrew Farber
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