

During the last school year, children and families benefitted from no-cost school meals for all students, made possible by special permission from the United States Department of Agriculture. Unfortunately, these permissions have expired. Northern Local School District and the Ohio Department of Education cannot extend the permissions for no-cost meals for all students.

School meals will still be available to all students; however, they will not be free to all students. Households may apply for free or reduced-price meal benefits by September 30, 2022 applications are available now on the website or at the District Office as was done before the pandemic. Eligibility for free and reduced-price lunch is based on [federal income guidelines](#) or participation in other programs such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and Ohio Works First. For additional information concerning the National School Lunch Program, please see the U.S. Department of Agriculture [school lunch question and answer](#) webpage.

For the 2022-23 school year, the price of reduced and paid lunches will be as follows:

Grades	Breakfast	Lunch
K-5	FREE	\$2.25
6-12	FREE	\$2.50
Reduced Price Students, All Grades	FREE	\$0.40

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