

2022-2023 Household Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals

Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil).

STEP 1 List ALL infants, children, and students up to grade 12 who are members of your household (if more spaces are required for additional names, attach another sheet of paper)

Definition of Household Member: "Anyone who is living with you and shares income and expenses, even if not related."
Children in **Foster care** and children who meet the definition of **Homeless, Migrant or Runaway** are eligible for free meals. Read **How to Apply for Free and Reduced Price School Meals** for more information.

| Child's First Name | MI | Child's Last Name | Student? | | Only Students: Name of School Building | Only Students: Birthdate | Only Students: Grade | Living with parent or caretaker relative? | | Foster Child | Homeless, Migrant, Runaway |
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| | | | Yes | No | | | | Yes | No | | |
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STEP 2 Do any Household Members (including you) currently participate in one or more of the following assistance programs: SNAP (Food Stamp) or TANF?

If **NO** > Go to STEP 3.

If **YES** > Write a case number here then go to STEP 4 (Do not complete STEP 3)

Case Number: / / / / / / / / / /

Write only one case number in this space.

STEP 3 Report Income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered Yes to STEP 2)

Are you unsure what to do here?
Please read **How to Apply for Free and Reduced Price School Meals** for more information.

The **Sources of Income for Children** section will help you with the **Child Income** question.

The **Sources of Income for Adults** section will help you with the **All Adult Household Members** section.

A. Child Income

Sometimes children in the household earn or receive income. Please include the TOTAL income received by all children in household listed in STEP 1 here.

Child income \$

How often? Weekly Every 2 Wks 2x Month Monthly

B. All Adult Household Members (including yourself)

List all Household Members not listed in STEP 1 (including yourself) **even if they do not receive income**. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report **total (gross) income before any taxes or deductions** for each source in whole dollars (no cents) only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

| Name of Adult Household Members (First and Last) | Earnings from Work | How often? | | | | Public Assistance/ Child Support/Alimony | How often? | | | | Pensions/Retirement/ All Other Income | How often? | | | |
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Total Household Members (Children and Adults)

Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of Primary Wage Earner or Other Adult Household Member

Check if no SSN

STEP 4 Contact information and adult signature. Mail Completed Form To: NJSP, 1 Bluejay Dr, North Judson, IN 46366 Turn for Textbook Benefits

"I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, and that school officials may verify (check) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."

Printed name of adult completing the form

Signature of adult completing the form

Today's date

Street Address (if available)

Apt #

City

State

Zip

Daytime Phone and Email (optional)

STEP 5

Other Benefits – This section does not need to be completed to receive free or reduced price meal benefits.

Do you want to receive **Textbook Assistance**?

- Yes
 No

If yes, **sign to the right** →

I certify that I am the parent/guardian of the child(ren) for whom application is being made. My signature below authorizes the release of information on this application for textbook assistance. I give up my right of confidentiality for this purpose only. This application information will be shared with the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration pursuant to I.C. 20-33-5-2 and I.C. 12-14-28-2, solely for purposes of complying with 45 C.F.R. Parts 260 and 265.

Signature of adult completing the form

Today's date

School Use Only:

- Approved
 Denied
 Not Applicable

This application information may be shared with the Family and Social Services Administration for the purpose of identifying children who may qualify for free or low-cost health insurance under **Medicaid** or **Hoosier Healthwise**. If you want the application information shared for this purpose, please sign below. I certify I am the parent/guardian of the child(ren) for whom application is being made. I authorize the release of information for this purpose.

Signature of adult completing the form

Today's date

For information about Hoosier Healthwise health insurance, call 1-800-889-9949.

OPTIONAL Children's Racial and Ethnic Identities

We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity (check one):

- Hispanic or Latino
 Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (check one or more):

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
 Asian
 Black or African American
 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 White

The **Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act** requires the information on this 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 last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of 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 or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. 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.

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| INCOME CONVERSION to YEARLY: | | | |
| WEEKLY X 52 | EVERY 2 WEEKS X 26 | TWICE A MONTH X 24 | MONTHLY X 12 |
| ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION | | | |
| Income Eligibility: Total Household Size: _____ Total Income: \$ _____ per: <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Every 2 Weeks <input type="checkbox"/> Twice a Month <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Yearly | | | |
| OR Categorical Eligibility: <input type="checkbox"/> Food Stamps/TANF <input type="checkbox"/> Migrant <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless <input type="checkbox"/> Runaway <input type="checkbox"/> Foster | | | |
| Eligibility Determination: <input type="checkbox"/> Approved Free <input type="checkbox"/> Approved Reduced Price <input type="checkbox"/> Denied | | | |
| Reason for Denial: <input type="checkbox"/> Income Too High <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | | |
| Type of Eligibility Notification Provided (if denied, notification must be written): <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal <input type="checkbox"/> Written Date: _____ | | | |
| Signature of Determining Official: _____ Date: _____ Date Withdrawn: _____ | | | |
| VERIFICATION | | | |
| Confirmation Review Official: _____ Application Direct Verified? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| Date Verification Notice Sent: _____ | Approval Based On: <input type="checkbox"/> Food Stamps / TANF Case Number | Verification Results: <input type="checkbox"/> No Change <input type="checkbox"/> Free to Reduced <input type="checkbox"/> Free to Paid <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced to Free <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced to Paid | Reason for Change: <input type="checkbox"/> Income: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Household Size: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Change in Food Stamps /TANF <input type="checkbox"/> Did not respond <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| Date Response Due from Households: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Household Size and Income | | Date Notice of Change Sent: _____ |
| Date Second Notice Sent (or N/A): _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | Date Change Made: _____ |
| Request for Appeal Date Hearing Requested: _____ Hearing Decision: _____ | | Verifying Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____ | |