# 2024-2025 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals

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

List ALL Household Members who are infants, children, and students up to and including grade 12 (if more spaces are required for additional names, attach another sheet of paper) STEP 1 Homeless **Child's First Name** МІ **Child's Last Name Building Name** Foster Migrant Child Grade 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. STEP 2 Do any Household Members (including you) currently participate in one or more of the following assistance programs: SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR? Circle one: Yes / No If you answered NO > Complete STEP 3. If you answered 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. Report Income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'Yes' to STEP 2) STEP 3 low offer A. Child Income Child income Sometimes children in the household earn income. Please include the TOTAL gross income earned by all children listed in Weekly Bi-Weekly 2x Month Monthly Are you unsure what STEP 1 here. income to include here? B. All Adult Household Members (including yourself) Flip the page and review 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 gross income (before taxes) for the charts titled "Sources 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. of Income" for more information. How often? How often? How often? Public Assistance/ Pensions/Retirement/ The "Sources of Income Name of Adult Household Members (First and Last) Earnings from Work Weekly Bi-Weekly 2x Month Monthly Weekly Bi-Weekly 2x Month Monthly Weekly Bi-Weekly 2x Month Monthly Child Support/Alimony All Other Income for Children" chart will help you with the Child Income section. \$ The "Sources of Income for Adults" chart will help \$ \$ you with the All Adult Household Members section **Total Household Members** Last four digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of Х Check if no SSN (Children and Adults) Х Х primary wage earner or other adult household member. STEP 4 Contact information and adult signature Mail Completed Form To: Clayton School District, #1Mark Twain Circle Clayton MO 63105 "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." Street Address (if available) State Zip Daytime Phone and Email (optional) Apt# City Printed name of adult completing the form Signature of adult completing the form Today's date DO NOT FILL OUT THIS SECTION. THIS IS FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY. ANNUAL INCOME CONVERSION: WEEKLY X 52, EVERY 2 WEEKS X 26, TWICE A MONTH X 24, MONTHLY X 12 (USE ONLY IF MULTIPLE FREQUENCY) □Food Stamps/Temporary Assistance Household size: Total income: Per: Week Every 2 Weeks Twice a Month Month Year Eligibility: DFree DReduced Denied Reason: Date withdrawn: Error Prone Application: Yes I No (*Optional – See FAQs*) Determining Official's Signature: Date Approved/Denied: Confirming Official's Signature (For verification purposes only):

#### Attachment E

Date Received by LEA (LEA use only)

Date:

## INSTRUCTIONS Sources of Income

Sources of Income for Children		Sources of Income for Adults		
Sources of Child Income	Example(s)	Earnings from Work	Public Assistance/ Alimony/Child Support	Pensions / Retirement / All Other Income
- Earnings from work	- A child has a regular full or part-time job where they earn a salary or wages	Salary, wages, cash bonuses     Net income from self- employment (farm or business)     If you are in the U.S. Military:     Basicpayand cash bonuses (do NOT include combatpay, FSSA or privatized housing allowances)     Allowances for off-base housing, food and dothing	<ul> <li>Unemployment benefits</li> <li>Worker's compensation</li> <li>Supplemental Security Income (SSI)</li> <li>Cash assistance from State or local government</li> <li>Alimony payments</li> <li>Child support payments</li> <li>Veteran's benefits</li> <li>Strike benefits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Security (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits)</li> <li>Private pensions or disability benefits</li> <li>Regular income from trusts or estates</li> <li>Annuities</li> <li>Investment income</li> <li>Earned interest</li> <li>Rental income</li> <li>Regular cash payments from outside household</li> </ul>
Social Security	<ul> <li>A child is blind or disabled and receives Social Security benefits</li> </ul>			
Disability Payments Survivor's Benefits	- A Parent is disabled, retired, or deceased, and their child receives Social Security benefits			
- Income from person outside the household	- A friend or extended family member regularly gives a child spending money			
- Income from any other source	- A child receives regular income from a private pension fund, annuity, or trust			

### **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. If ethnicity/race is not selected, a visual identification will be determined.

#### 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 that we use information from this application to see who qualifies for free or reduced price meals. We can only approve complete forms. We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them deliver program benefits to your household. Inspectors and law enforcement may also use your information to make sure that program rules are met.

Please be sure to provide the last four numbers of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult does not have one, 'Check if no Social Security Number'. Applications for a foster child do not need to list a Social Security number. Applications for children in households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) do not need to list a Social Security number.

Some children qualify for free meals without an application. Please contact your school to get free meals for a foster child, and children who are homeless, migrant, or runaway.

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity. Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

# To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at:\_

https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

* MAIL: U.S. Department of Agriculture	FAX: (833) 256-1665 or (202)	* Do not mail
Office of the Assistant Secretary	690-7442; or	applications to
for Civil Rights	EMAIL:	this address, only
1400 Independence Avenue, SW	Program.Intake@usda.gov	complaints
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