# **2023-2024 Application for Free and Reduced-Price School Meals** Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil).

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## **INSTRUCTIONS** Sources of Income

Sou	urces of Income for Children
Type of Income	Examples
Earnings from work	A child has a job where they earn a salary or wages.
Social Security -Disability payments	A child is blind or disabled and receives Social Security benefits.
-Survivor Benefits	A parent is disabled, retired, or deceased and their child receives social security benefits.
Income from persons outside the household	A friend or extended family member <u>regularly</u> gives a child spending money.
Income from any other source	A child receives income from a private pension fund, annuity or trust.

	Sources of Income f	or Adults							
Earnings from Work	Public Assistance/ Alimony/Child Support	Pensions/Retirement/All Other Income							
- Salary, wages, cash bonuses	- Unemployment benefits	Social Security (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits)							
- Net income from self- employment (farm or business)	- Workers Compensation	- Private Pensions or disability							
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If you are in the U.S. Military: - Basic pay and cash bonuses (do not include combat pay,	- Cash Assistance from State or local	- Annuities							
FSSA, or privatized housing allowances)	government	- Investment Income							
-Allowances for off-base	- Alimony payments	- Earned Interest							
housing, food and clothing	- Child support payments	- Rental Income							
	- Veteran's benefits	Regular cash payments from outside household							
	- Strike benefits								

### **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):

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

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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