

**Norwalk Community Schools**  
**2021 - 2022 Application for Free and Reduced Price Meals**  
 Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil).

Apply online at  
<https://schoolcafe.com>

**STEP 1 — All Children in the Household**

Student ID (optional)	Last Name	First Name	MI	Date of Birth	Grade (Optional)	Foster	Homeless	Migrant	Runaway	Head Start
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Note: Students enrolled in schools participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) will receive no cost meals regardless of the completion or eligibility determination of this application.

Translated applications are available in 34 languages at:  
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/family-friendly-application-translations>

**STEP 2 — Assistance Programs**

Do any household members (including you) currently participate in one or more of the following assistance programs: Food Assistance (FA), Family Investment Program (FIP), or FDIPIR? **Circle one:** Yes / No

If you answered **NO** > Complete STEP 3. If you answered **YES** > Write a case number then skip to STEP 4.

Case Number:

**STEP 3 — All Household Member Income (including children) - Skip this step if you answered 'Yes' in STEP 2**

List all household members (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each household member listed, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you write '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Household Member Name (First and Last)	Gross income and how often it is received: W = Weekly, E = Every 2 weeks, T = Twice per month, M = Monthly																		
	Earnings from Work	How Often?				Public Assistance / Child Support / Alimony	How Often?				Pensions / Retirement / All Other Income	How Often?							
		W	E	T	M		W	E	T	M		W	E	T	M				

Total Household Size  
(Children and Adults)

Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of  
 Primary Wage Earner or Another Adult Household Member \*\*\* - \*\* -

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Check if no SSN

**STEP 4 — Contact Information and Adult Signature**

"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

X

Today's Date

Street Address (if available)

City

State

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ZIP Code

Home Phone Number

Work Phone Number

Email

**OPTIONAL — Children's Racial and Ethnic Identities — If race or ethnicity is not selected, one will be selected for you based on visual observation.**

**Ethnicity (check one):**

- Hispanic or Latino  
 Not Hispanic or Latino

**Race (check one or more):**

- American Indian or Alaskan Native  Black or African American  
 Asian  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 submit all needed information, 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 social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Food Assistance (FA), Family Investment Program (FIP) 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.

**Nondiscrimination Statement:** In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) Email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

**Iowa Non-Discrimination Statement:** "It is the policy of this CNP provider not to discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, age, or religion in its programs, activities, or employment practices as required by the Iowa Code section 216.6, 216.7, and 216.9. If you have questions or grievances related to compliance with this policy by this CNP Provider, please contact the Iowa Civil Rights Commission, Grimes State Office building, 400 E. 14th St. Des Moines, IA 50319-1004; phone number 515-281-4121, 800-457-4416; website: <https://icrc.iowa.gov/>."

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### Low-Cost Health Insurance for Children

If your children do not have health insurance, many families getting free or reduced price meals can also get free or low-cost health insurance for their children. The law requires public schools to share your free and reduced price meal eligibility information with Medicaid & **hawk-i**, the State's medical insurance program for children. Private schools, RCCIs and childcare organizations may choose to share this information. Specifically, we will give them your child's name, your name & address. Medicaid & **hawk-i** can only use the information to identify children who may be eligible for free or low-cost health insurance and contact you. They are not allowed to use the information from your free and reduced meal application for any other purpose or to share it with any other entity or program. You are not required to allow us to share this information, it will not affect your child's eligibility for free or reduced price meals. **If you do NOT want your information shared with Medicaid or hawk-i, you must tell us by completing the information below.** If you want further information, you may call **hawk-i** at 1-800-257-8563. Also, if you are already receiving Medicaid or **hawk-i**, please sign below. This will avoid another contact.

My signature below indicates I DO NOT want school officials to share information from my free and reduced price meal application with Medicaid or **hawk-i**.

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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### Optional Waiver Information Release of Confidential Information for School Year 2021-2022

If your child(ren) qualifies for free or reduced price meals, you may also be eligible for other benefits if this waiver is submitted to the Nutrition Department at 1130 W. North Avenue, Norwalk, IA 50211 or via email to [dserres@norwalk.k12.ia.us](mailto:dserres@norwalk.k12.ia.us), **prior to September 30, 2021**. I understand that I will be releasing information that will show I applied for free and reduced price school meals for my child(ren). **You do not have to sign below to receive free or reduced price meals.** I give up my rights to confidentiality for:

The release of information to the District's Assessment Coordinator to allow him/her to inform parents and/or guardians of resources which may be of help to you and your child(ren) such as the Back Pack Buddy Program.

Consideration for a full or partial waiver of:

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| a) Books         | d) Drivers Education |
| b) Band Uniforms | e) Transportation    |
| c) Choir Robe    |                      |

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_