



Dear BCS Families,

I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to inform you about a potential change to our school breakfast and lunch program that may take effect beginning October 1, 2025, due to the lack of an approved State budget.

As you may be aware, our ability to offer free school meals to all students is dependent on funding that has been allocated through the State budget. At this time, the State has not finalized or approved a budget for the upcoming fiscal year, and it is currently uncertain whether funding for universal free meals will be included.

What This Means for Your Family:

- If no budget is approved by October 1, or if the final budget does not include funding for free meals, BCS will be required to resume charging for breakfast and lunch based on federal eligibility guidelines (free, reduced-price, or full pay).
- To prepare for this possibility, we strongly encourage all families to complete and submit a Free and Reduced Price Meal Application as soon as possible. Free or Reduced price breakfast and lunch applications are available by going to your [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#). Once you login to the Parent Portal, click on More, then click on Meal Benefits, finally click on Click Here to Start the Application. This is available all school year and will ensure that your child's eligibility is assessed in the event that we must transition away from universal free meals.

Next Steps:

1. Monitor your email and our website for updates. We will notify all families immediately if and when any changes take effect.
2. Complete a meal application online, see instructions above.
3. Contact our Food Services Department at 517-486-2148 ext. 310, if you have any questions or need assistance with the application process.

We understand that food security is an important concern for many of our families, and we remain committed to supporting our students through this period of uncertainty. We will continue advocating for full funding of school meals for all students and hope for a timely resolution at the State level.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued partnership.

Sincerely,

Scott Riley, Superintendent