

2025–2026 Free & Reduced-Price Meal Program Details

Meal Applications Are Not Mailed This Year

The Free & Reduced-Price Meal Application for the 2025–2026 school year is available **online only**. Paper copies will not be mailed but can be picked up at your child's school.

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Schools

Most Pitt County Schools participate in **CEP**, meaning all students at these schools receive free breakfast and lunch automatically. Families **do not need to complete an application** for students attending CEP schools.

If Your Child Attends D.H. Conley High School

D.H. Conley High School is the only PCS school **not** part of CEP. Families must complete a Free & Reduced-Price Meal Application if they wish to apply for benefits for their student.

- Applications are available online now.
- Paper copies will be at DHC before school starts.
- **Good news:** DHC students will **not be charged a meal copay** this year — the district covers that cost.

Who Needs to Complete an Application?

- Families with students at D.H. Conley High School who want Free or Reduced Meal status.
- Families with students at non-CEP schools.
- Families with children attending CEP schools must still list those children on the application (with school name, grade, birthdate, and income or “no income”) if applying for other children in the household.

Already Approved?

If your child receives FNS (food stamps), Work First Cash Assistance, or FDPIR benefits, they may be **Directly Certified** for free meals.

- If you received an approval letter from PCS School Nutrition listing all your students, you **do not need to apply**.
- If some students are not listed or you did not receive a letter, please complete an application.

How to Apply

- Complete the application **online** (link will be available on this page in August).
- Pick up a paper application at your child's school.

Questions?

Contact the Pitt County Schools Nutrition Office for help.

