



**Media Release for Meals provided under the  
National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs  
Frank L. Madla Early College High School School Year 2022-2023**

**NEW FRONTIERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS** announced today a change to its policy for serving meals to children served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program for the {Frank L Madla ECHS Campus 2022-2023} school year. Schools qualifying to operate the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) provide breakfast and lunch to all children at no charge and eliminate the collection of meal applications for free, reduced-price, and paid student meals. This new approach reduces burdens for both families and school administrators and helps ensure that students receive nutritious meals.

While no application or eligibility determination process is required for your student to receive free meals this school year, the income eligibility requirement will likely resume in the 2022-2023 school year.

Frank L Madla ECHS Students in grades 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> will be provided with Free breakfast and Free Lunch for the 2022-2023 School Year.

Parents/ Guardians will no longer be required to complete a school lunch application; however they will be required to complete a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Socioeconomic information form each school year.

If you have any questions concerning the NSLP/CEP program, please contact the following person:

New Frontiers Public Schools  
Rose Bizarri,  
PEIMS Coordinator  
901 NE Loop 410, Suite 711, San Antonio, TX 78209  
210-519-3900  
rbizarri@newfrontierspublicschools.org.

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[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: (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: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

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### **Media Release for Free and Reduced-Price Meals Sample**

*New Frontiers Public Schools*, announced its policy today for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the attached current income eligibility guidelines. Each school/site or the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by anyone on request.

Students not notified that they are Categorically or Program Eligible must complete a NSLP application and turn it in to the Main office.

#### **Criteria for Free and Reduced-Price Meal Benefits**

The following criteria will be used to determine a child's eligibility for free or reduced-price meal benefits:

##### **Income**

1. Household income that is at or below the income eligibility levels

##### **Categorical or Automatic Eligibility**

2. Household receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF); or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)

##### **Program Participant**

3. Child's status as a foster child, homeless, runaway, migrant, or displaced by a declared disaster
4. Child's enrollment in Head Start or Even Start

#### **Income Eligibility**

For those households that qualify for free or reduced-price meals based on income, an adult in the household must fill out free and reduced-price meal application and return it Jill Rodriguez, Main Office, 210-519-3830. Those individuals filling out the application will need to provide the following information:

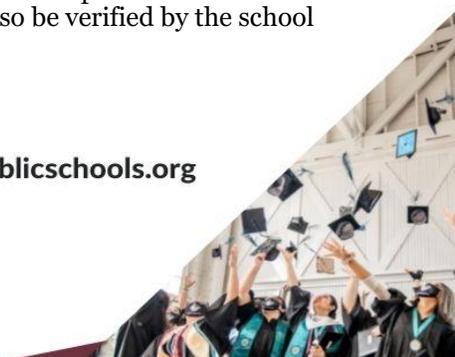
1. Names of all household members
2. Amount, frequency, and source of current income for each household member
3. Last 4 digits of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application or, if the adult does not have a social security number, check the box for "No Social Security number"
4. Signature of an adult household member attesting that the information provided is correct

#### **Categorical or Program Eligibility**

*New Frontiers Public Schools* is working with local agencies to identify all children who are categorically and program eligible. *Imelda Davis ECHS* will notify the households of these children that they do not need to complete an application. Any household that does not receive a letter and feels it should have should contact *Rose Bizarri, PEIM Coordinator, 210-519-3900*

Any household that wishes to decline benefits should contact *Jill Rodriguez, 210-519-3830*.

Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility. Applications may also be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.





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### **Determining Eligibility**

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, *{insert title and name of reviewing official}* will review applications and determine eligibility. Households or guardians dissatisfied with the Reviewing Official's eligibility determination may wish to discuss the decision with the Reviewing Official on an informal basis. Households wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to *Jeff Flores, Principal, 210-519-3830. 1819 N. Main St, San Antonio, TX 78212*

### **Unexpected Circumstances**

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the attached current income eligibility guidelines.

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