	2025-2026 Appl	ication for Free and I	Reduced-Price School	ol Meals/Milk	
Schools are required to esta reduced-price meals applica need help. Additional names	ation for your child(ren)	then sign and return			
Return Completed Applica	•	eca Turnpike	ct		
1. List all children in your househo	old who attend school:				
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blank, you are certifying (promising					
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\*When completing section 3, an adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#) or mark the "I do not have a SS#

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get federal funds; the scholaws, and my children may Signature:	pol officials may verify the information and if I pur lose meal benefits.	rposely give false information, I m	stand that the information is being given so the school nay be prosecuted under applicable State and federal
=mail Address: Home Phone:	Work Phone:	Home Address:	<del></del>
5. Ethnicity and Race are	optional; responding to this section does not aff	ect your children's eligibility for fre	ee or reduced-price meals.
Ethnicity: □Hispanic or La	atino ⊡Not Hispanic or Latino		
Race (Check one or more	): □American Indian or Alaskan Native □Asian	☐Black or African American ☐Na	ative Hawaiian or Another Pacific Island □White
	DO NOT WRITE BELOW T	HIS LINE – FOR SCHO	OOL USE ONLY
	Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-wee	multiple income frequencies are re- kly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24;	
SNAP/TANF/Foster			
Income Household: T	otal Household Income/How Often:	/ House	ehold Size:   Free
Meals □ Red	duced Price Meals   □ Denied/Paid		
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#### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced-price eligibility, complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to Fayetteville-Manlius School District, 8199 E. Seneca Turnpike, Manlius, NY 13104. If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is not needed. Call the school if you need help: 315-692-1809. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

## PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school.
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

## PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household.
  - The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDPIR number.

## PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box. The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At-Risk Child-Care Programs should not be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs PART 4 if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number, a social security number is not needed.
- (5) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

**OTHER BENEFITS:** Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced-price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

#### **USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT**

Use of Information Statement: 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 primary wage earner or other 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 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.

## **DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS**

In accordance with federal civil rights law and USDA civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its agencies, offices, employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

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 state or local agency that administers the program or contact USDA through the Telecommunications Relay Service at 711 (voice and TTY). Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint 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, Mail Stop 9410 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

fax:

(202) 690-7442: or

3. **email:** 

program.intake@usda.gov

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#### FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEAL APPLICATION FACT SHEET

When filling out the application form, please pay careful attention to these helpful hints.

**SNAP/TANF/FDPIR** case number: This must be the <u>complete</u> valid case number supplied to you by the agency including all numbers <u>and</u> letters, for example, E123456, or whatever combination is used in your county. Refer to a letter you received from your local Department of Social Services for your case number or contact them for your number.

<u>Foster Child:</u> A child who is living with a family but who is under the legal care of the welfare agency or court may be listed on your family application. List the child's "personal use" income. This includes only those funds provided by the agency which are identified for the <u>personal</u> use of the child, such as personal spending allowances, money received by his/her family, or from a job. Funds provided for housing, food and care, medical, and therapeutic needs are <u>not</u> considered income to the foster child. Write "0" if the child has no personal use income.

**Household:** A group of related or non-related people who are living in one house and share income and expenses.

<u>Adult Family Members:</u> All related and non-related people who are 21 years of age and older living in your house.

<u>Financially Independent:</u> A person is financially independent and a separate economic unit/household when his or her earnings and expenses are not shared by the family/household. Separate economic units in the same residence are characterized by prorating expenses and by economic independence from one another.

<u>Current Gross Income</u>: Money earned or received at the present time by each member of your household <u>before deductions</u>. Examples of deductions are federal tax, State tax, and Social Security deductions. If you have more than one job, you must list the income from all jobs. If you receive income from more than one source (wage, alimony, child support, etc.), you must list the income from all sources. Only farmers, self-employed workers, migrant workers, and other seasonal employees may use their income for the past 12 months reported from their 1040 Tax Forms.

# Examples of gross income are:

- Wages, salaries, tips, commissions, or income from self-employment
- Net farm income gross sales minus expenses only –
   not losses
- Pensions, annuities, or other retirement income including Social Security retirement benefits
- Unemployment compensation
- Welfare payments (does not include value of SNAP)
- Public Assistance payments
- · Adoption assistance

- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Survivor's Benefits
- Alimony or child support payments
- Disability benefits, including workman's compensation
- · Veteran's subsistence benefits
- · Interest or dividend income
- Cash withdrawn from savings, investments, trusts, and other resources which would be available to pay for a child's meals
- · Other cash income

<u>Income Exclusions</u>: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

If you have any questions or need help in filling out the application form, please contact:

Name: Brian Borszewski Title: Food Service Director

Telephone Number: 315-692-1809