

DC School Breakfast and Lunch Programs

What are the School Breakfast and Lunch Programs?

The School Breakfast and Lunch Programs provide free or reduced-price school breakfast and lunch to ensure that children eat nutritious meals at least 5 days per week.

How does it work?

Any child in a participating school, kindergarten through 12th grade, can buy a meal through the School Breakfast and Lunch Program. Household income determines if a child will receive a reduced-price or free meal.

Immigration Status

Non-citizens are eligible.

Income Limits (2010-2011)

Reduced-Price Meals Gross Income

People in Household	Monthly Income	Yearly Income
1	\$1,670	\$20,036
2	2,247	26,955
3	2,823	33,874
4	3,400	40,793
5	3,976	47,712
6	4,553	54,631
7	5,130	61,550
8	5,706	68,469
Each additional person	+577	+6,919

Free Meals Gross Income

People in Household	Monthly Income	Yearly Income
1	\$1,174	\$14,079
2	1,579	18,941
3	1,984	23,809
4	2,389	28,665
5	2,794	33,527
6	3,200	38,389
7	3,605	43,251
8	4,010	48,113
Each additional person	+406	+4,862

Source: DC Hunger Solutions. *How to Get Food in the District of Columbia*. 12 August 2010. http://www.dchunger.org/pdf/getfood_dc.pdf.

How does one apply?

- Contact your local school.
- Contact the DC State Education Office.

For more information, see the [D.C. Hunger Solutions](#) website or the DC [School Breakfast Program \(SBP\)](#) and [National School Lunch Program \(NSLP\)](#) websites.

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