Dewey Fublic Schools

Child Nutrition Office #1 Bulldogger Road, Dewey, OK 74029-1601 Vince Vincent, Superintendent Brent Dugger, Assistant Superintendent

Ref: 2022-2023 school year LUNCH APPLICATION for FREE or REDUCED-PRICE meals

Dear Dewey Bulldogger Parent/Guardian:

The USDA's nationwide free meals for students have ended.

<u>Congress did not extend federal school meal waivers. School meals will no longer be available to ALL students free</u> of charge, effective at the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

Households are encouraged to complete a free or reduced-price meal benefit application for **ALL** students who qualify <u>according to the chart enclosed</u>. Our school funding is impacted by the number of qualified applicants that we have on file. Paper application will be available at each school office during the 2022-2023 enrollment process. You can also apply via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal in which you can access by visiting the link on the Dewey Schools Home Page.

You MUST REAPPLY EACH YEAR to receive benefits for your child(ren).

Dewey Schools Board of Education approved 2022-2023 Student Meal Prices:

ELEMENTARY		MIDDLE	<u>HIGH</u>	<u>REDUCED</u>	<u>ADULT</u>
Breakfast	\$1.40	\$1.40	\$1.40	\$0.30	\$1.85
Lunch	\$2.30	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$0.40	\$3.95

Only one (1) application per household is needed, there is no need to apply again unless a change in household size or income occurs. *Those that received meal benefits from the previous year are allowed a 30-day grace period into the new school year.* The grace period will expire on <u>September 22, 2022</u>. Should your student's application lapse, they will be charged full price.

Regardless of a student's meal eligibility status you the parent/guardian are responsible for all incurred charges.

If you believe your household will qualify, please read all instructions carefully throughout the application and *provide all required* information. Applications should be returned to any of the districts school offices as soon as possible. We MUST have the last 4-digits of your Social Security number to process your application. Any information that is missing will delay the processing.

Thank you for your attention to this process, and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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