

# General Information About The National School Lunch Program

The National School **Lunch** Program is a federally assisted **meal** program operating in public and nonprofit private schools and residential child care institutions. It provides nutritionally balanced, low-cost or **free lunches** to children each school day.

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A student from a household with an income at or below 130 percent of the poverty income threshold is eligible for free **lunch**. A student from a household with an income between 130 percent and up to 185 percent of the poverty threshold is eligible for **reduced price lunch**.

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Breakfast costs \$1.20 in Elementary and \$1.30 in Middle and High School; lunch costs \$2.00 in Elementary, \$2.35 in Middle and \$2.50 in High School. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is **\$0.30** for breakfast and **\$0.40** for lunch. For current rates, see [Federal Register](#).