

Does your household qualify for the Federal School Meals Program?

Please refer to the chart titled, “Who Can Get Free or Reduced Price Meals?” at the bottom of this page and indicate yes, no, or that you decline to answer. Your eligibility for this program is used to facilitate socioeconomic integration component of the Cambridge Public Schools Controlled Choice Plan and Policy.

- Yes** – I am eligible for free or reduced price meal benefits.
- No** – I am not eligible for free or reduced price meals benefits.
- I decline** to disclose this information.

I acknowledge and agree to release to the Cambridge Public Schools’ Student Registration Center information concerning my child’s eligibility or non-eligibility for price meal benefits. I acknowledge and agree that the Cambridge Public Schools’ Student Registration Center may use this information to help determine the placement of my child.

I understand that I am not required to release this information and that my declining to sign this form will not affect my child’s eligibility and participation for price meal benefits or non-eligibility for price meal benefits. I understand that if I elect not to release this information, the Cambridge Public Schools’ Student Registration Center will consider my child non-eligible for free and reduced price meals when using this information to help determine placement for my child.

I have read this release and understand its terms and sign it voluntarily.

Parent Name: _____ Student Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?

- All children in households receiving benefits from MA SNAP or MA TANF are eligible for free meals.
- Foster children that are under legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
- Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
- Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
- Children may receive free or reduced price meals if your household’s income is within the limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2022-23

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$25,142	\$2,096	\$484
2	\$33,874	\$2,823	\$652
3	\$42,606	\$3,551	\$820
4	\$51,338	\$4,279	\$988
5	\$60,070	\$5,006	\$1,156
6	\$68,802	\$5,734	\$1,324
7	\$77,534	\$6,462	\$1,492
8	\$86,266	\$7,189	\$1,659
Each additional family member	\$8,732	\$728	\$168

Please Note:

This voluntary disclosure is used in the registration process only. When your child begins school, you must submit your formal application for the federal free and reduced price lunch program and be determined to be eligible to receive free or reduced price meals.