

Children need healthy meals to learn. Finley School District offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **\$1.25**; Lunch costs: Elem - **\$1.75**, MS & HS - **\$2.00**. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price breakfast is free to all children. Reduced price lunch will be served to children in K -3rd grade for free and for all other children the cost is **\$0.40**.

1. Do I need to fill out an application for each child? No, Complete **ONE (1)** Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for **all students in your household**. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. **Return the completed application to: your child's school OR Finley School District 224606 E Game Farm Rd Kennewick WA 99337, 586-3217.**

2. Who can get free or reduced meals? Children in households getting Basic Food, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Food Distribution on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), and most foster children can get free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free or reduced price meals if your household income is within the limits on the Federal Income Guidelines, see chart.

FEDERAL INCOME CHART			
For School Year 2007-08			
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$18,889	\$1,575	\$ 364
2	25,327	2,111	488
3	31,765	2,648	611
4	38,203	3,184	735
5	44,641	3,721	859
6	51,079	4,257	983
7	57,517	4,794	1,107
8	63,955	5,330	1,230
Each additional person:	+ 6,438	+ 537	+ 124

3. Can homeless, runaway and migrant children get free meals? Yes. Please call the Finley School District at 586-3217 to see if your child(ren) qualify

4. Should I fill out an application if the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) has notified me saying my children are eligible for free meals? No. Call the LEA or individual school at **586-3217** if you have questions.

5. Will the information I give be checked? Yes, we may ask you to send written proof, through the verification process.

6. If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? Yes. You may apply at any time during the school year if your household size goes up, income goes down, or if you start getting Basic Food, TANF or other benefits. If you lose your job, your children may be able to get free or reduced price meals.

7. What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: **Colleen Cowan, 224606 E Game Farm Rd Kennewick WA 99337, 586-3217.**

8. Who should I include as members of my household? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends). You must include yourself and all children who live with you.

9. What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally get. For example, if you normally get \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only got \$900, put down that you get \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get it only sometimes.

If you have other questions or need help, call **586-3217**

Si necesita ayuda, por favor llame al teléfono: 586-3217

Si vous voudriez d'aide, contactez nous au numero: 586-3217

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMPLETE THE FREE AND REDUCED PRICED SCHOOL MEAL APPLICATION

If your household gets **BASIC FOOD (WBF), TANF, or FDPIR**, follow these instructions: **One application per household Complete Parts 1, 2 (if applicable), 6 signature only**

If you are applying for a **FOSTER CHILD**, follow these instructions: **One application per foster child Complete: Part 1, 3, 6 signature only**

ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS, including WIC households, follow these instructions: **One application per household Complete: Part 1, 2 (if applicable), 4, 6**

Social Security number is required of the adult signing the application (or check the "I do not have a social security number" box if the adult signing does not have a social security number).

****Adult household member's signature is required for all households.**

*****Completing Part 5 and Part 7 is optional for all households.**

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly. In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write to **USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington DC 20250-9410** or call (800) 795-3272 or 202-720-6382 (TTY). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.