

August 9, 2022

Dear Parent or Guardian of students in Conway,

We regret to inform you that at this time the USDA Universal Free Meals program that has been in place for the past two school years has not been renewed.

**Meals will no longer be free to all students starting in the 2022-2023 school year.**

For any student to be able to receive free meals, families must take one of the following actions:

- **Enroll in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**
  - This program can be applied for online at: <https://nheasy.nh.gov/#/apply-benefits>
  
- **Submit a meal benefit application to our school district**
  - Applications can be submitted online at: <https://secure.ezmealapp.com/ApplicationScreen.aspx>
  - A printable copy of the application is attached at the end of this letter and can be submitted to: your student's respective school
  - A copy of the application will be distributed to all students with back-to-school packets, and will be available for pick up at each school starting on August 15, 2022

We strongly urge all families to apply for meal benefits through one of the methods listed above, even if your family has not qualified for benefits in the past. Enrollment in the meal benefits program assists our district and our students far beyond the positive impacts on student health. Additional funding for student education, technology, scholarships, and more are all tied to meal benefit enrollment.

Students who are not enrolled in free meals through one of the methods above and choose to participate in the school meals program will be charged per meal and need to have funds added to their food service program account. Prices for meals in the 2022-2023 school year are:

	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>
Elementary (K-6)	\$2.00	\$3.25
Middle School/High School	\$2.50	\$3.50
Reduced	FREE	\$0.40

Funds can be added to student accounts online at any time at: <https://www.ezschooldpay.com/Login.aspx>

Funds can also be added to student accounts by check made out to *Conway School District* submitted to your student's respective school.

Any meals that are ordered by students but not paid for at the time of delivery will be handled in accordance with the School Board's meal charging policy

<https://sau9.ss12.sharpschool.com/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=16376431>