



SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Southeast Island School District is pleased to announce our participation in the National School Lunch Program. Meals will be available to all children at our following schools: **Howard Valentine Coffman Cove School, Naukati School, Thorne Bay School** and **Whale Pass School**. Meals meet nutritional standards set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Our schools will participate in the National School Lunch Program, and School Breakfast Program.

If your income is less than or equal to the following guidelines you are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. These guidelines are effective **July 1, 2021** through **June 30, 2022**. If you have children who are approved for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) formerly known as Food Stamps, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), they are automatically able to receive free meals by filing an application that includes their assistance number from one of those programs. Students who are migrant, homeless, or runaways are automatically eligible and do not need to fill out an application. Foster children receive free meals regardless of the income of the household with which they reside. Note: Medicaid and Denali Kid Care case numbers do not qualify for eligibility.

An income scale is used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price meals.

Alaska Income Eligibility Guidelines July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Reduced Price Meals – 185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	29,767	2,481	1,241	1,145	573
2	40,275	3,357	1,679	1,550	775
3	50,783	4,232	2,116	1,954	977
4	61,291	5,108	2,554	2,358	1,179
5	71,799	5,984	2,992	2,762	1,381
6	82,307	6,859	3,430	3,166	1,583
7	92,815	7,735	3,868	3,570	1,785

8	103,323	8,611	4,306	3,974	1,987
For Each Additional family member add:	10,508	876	438	405	203

Free Meals – 130% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	20,917	1,744	872	805	403
2	28,301	2,359	1,180	1,089	545
3	35,685	2,974	1,487	1,373	687
4	43,069	3,590	1,795	1,657	829
5	50,453	4,205	2,103	1,941	971
6	57,837	4,820	2,410	2,225	1,113
7	65,221	5,436	2,718	2,509	1,255
8	72,605	6,051	3,026	2,793	1,397
For Each Additional family member add:	7,384	616	308	284	142

Definitions

Family: A household or family is defined as a group of related or unrelated individuals who are living as one economic unit.

Income: Income is the money received by any member of the household before such deductions as taxes and Social Security. It includes the following: salary or wages; earnings from self-employment, Social Security, pensions, retirement and disability payments; and other cash income received or withdrawn from any source which would be available for payment of a child's meal. Food Stamp benefits are not included.

Current income is determined by the income received by all members of the household during the month prior to application. But if this income was much higher or lower than usual, the expected income for this year (12 months starting from the month prior to application) should be used. For example, self-employed people such as fishermen and farmers should use yearly income.

We can't approve your application unless it's complete. The information you give us on your

application may be checked at any time. You may apply for free or reduced price meals at any time during the school year if your situation changes. If you become unemployed, your child(ren) may be able to have free or reduced priced meals based on your unemployment income. If we deny your free or reduced price meals application, we will give you a chance to appeal the decision.

Acronyms for Public Assistance:

TANF = Temporary Assistance to Needy Families

FDPRI = Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

SNAP = Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, *formerly the Food Stamp Program*

SSI = Social Security Income

If you have any questions please contact Susan Greene at sgreene@sisd.org or 423-306-0846.

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