



Paramount Unified School District Public Media Release for Universal Meals School Year 2024-2025

Paramount Unified School District announces its policy to serve nutritious meals every school day under the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and/or Afterschool Snack, and Supper Program. Breakfasts and lunches will be served free of charge every school day, but Paramount Unified School District is still required to make eligibility determinations for free and reduced-price meals. Effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, children are considered eligible for free or reduced-price meals if the household income is less than or equal to the federal guidelines.

Free Eligibility Scale Meals, Snacks, and Milk

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 19,578	\$ 1,632	\$ 816	\$ 753	\$ 377
2	\$ 26,572	\$ 2,215	\$ 1,108	\$ 1,022	\$ 511
3	\$ 33,566	\$ 2,798	\$ 1,399	\$ 1,291	\$ 646
4	\$ 40,560	\$ 3,380	\$ 1,690	\$ 1,560	\$ 780
5	\$ 47,554	\$ 3,963	\$ 1,982	\$ 1,829	\$ 915
6	\$ 54,548	\$ 4,546	\$ 2,273	\$ 2,098	\$ 1,049
7	\$ 61,542	\$ 5,129	\$ 2,565	\$ 2,367	\$ 1,184
8	\$ 68,536	\$ 5,712	\$ 2,856	\$ 2,636	\$ 1,318
For each additional family member, add:	\$ 6,994	\$ 583	\$ 292	\$ 269	\$ 135

The school sites listed below are approved for the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) which allows all enrolled students to receive lunch and breakfast every school day at **NO CHARGE**.

- Collins Elementary School- 6125 Coke Ave Long Beach, CA 90805
- Buena Vista High School- 3717 Michelson St Lakewood, CA 90712
- Community Day School- 14507 Paramount Blvd. Paramount, CA 90723
- Gaines Elementary School- 7340 E. Jackson St. Paramount, CA 90723
- Hollydale School K-8- 5511 Century Blvd South Gate, CA 90780
- Jackson Middle School- 7220 E. Jackson St. Paramount, CA 90723
- Jefferson Elementary School- 8600 Jefferson St. Paramount, CA 90723
- Keppel Elementary School- 6630 Mark Keppel St. Paramount, CA 90723
- Lincoln Elementary School- 15324 S. California Ave Paramount, CA 90723
- Los Cerritos Elementary School- 14626 Gundry Ave Paramount, CA 90723

- Mokler Elementary School- 8571 E. Flower St. Paramount, CA 90723
- Odyssey STEM Academy High School- 3701 Michelson St. Lakewood, CA 90712
- Paramount High School- Senior Campus- 14429 Downey Ave. Paramount, CA 90723
- Paramount High School- West Campus- 14708 Paramount Blvd. Paramount, CA 90723
- Paramount Park Middle School- 14608 Paramount Blvd. Paramount, CA 90723
- Roosevelt Elementary School- 13451 Merkel Ave. Paramount, CA 90723
- Tanner Elementary School-7210 Rosecrans Ave Paramount, CA 90723
- Wirtz Elementary School- 8535 Contreras St Paramount, CA 90723
- Zamboni Middle School- 15733 Orange Ave. Paramount, CA 90723

Households do not need to turn in an application when the household receives a notification letter saying that all children automatically qualify for free meals when any household member receives benefits from CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR. Children who meet the definition of foster, homeless, migrant, or runaway, and children enrolled in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals. Contact school officials if any child in the household is not on the notification letter. The household must let school officials know if they do not want to be considered eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

Educational Benefits Form (LCFF) available during Open Enrollment/registration. While breakfasts and lunches will be provided free of charge every school day, determining eligibility for free and reduced-price meals is still necessary and these determinations can be used to qualify households for other benefits

Households will submit the Educational Benefits Form (LCFF) online once a year. If you are not eligible now, but your household income goes down, household size goes up, or a household member starts receiving CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR, you may turn in an application at that time. Information given on the application will be used to determine eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school officials. The last four digits of the Social Security number from any adult household or checking that you do not have a Social Security number is required if you include income on the application.

Households that receive Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) benefits, may be considered eligible for free or reduced-price meals by filling out an application.

Foster children are considered eligible for free meals and may be included as a household member if the foster family chooses to also apply for the non-foster children on the same application. Including foster children as a household member may help the non-foster children qualify for free or reduced-price meals. If the non-foster children are not eligible, this does not keep foster children from being considered eligible for free meals.

Your child's eligibility status from last school year will continue into the new school year for up to 30 school days or until the District processes your new LCFF Form, or your child is otherwise certified for free or reduced-price meals. School officials do not have to send reminder or expired eligibility notices.

If you do not agree with the decision or results of verification, you may discuss it with school officials. You also have the right to a fair hearing, which may be requested by calling or writing the hearing official: Lucy Albera, 8555 Flower St., Paramount, CA 90723 562-602-6031

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