

Free and Reduced Price School Meal Application Instructions

If you, or someone in your household receives SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, TANF/CO Works (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; State Diversion or Basic Cash Assistance) or FDIPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations), follow the instructions listed below:

STEP 1: List all students first and last names; Check the box if student does not have income. Optional: Provide date of birth and grade.

STEP 2: List a case number if you or someone in your household participates in SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR

STEP 3: Skip.

STEP 4: Sign the application. Optional: Provide contact information for purposes of receiving eligibility notification.

STEP 5: If you **do not want your information shared** with Medicaid/SCHIP and/or school/district programs, you must complete this step.

Optional: Complete the Children's Racial and Ethnic Survey on the back of the application.

If you are applying for a Foster Child, a student that qualifies for your districts Head Start program or is a Runaway, Homeless or Migrant student, follow the instructions listed below:

STEP 1: List all students first and last names; Check the box if student does not have income. Optional: Provide date of birth and grade.

Check the appropriate box if the student is a Foster Child, Head Start, Runaway, Homeless or Migrant.

STEP 2: Skip.

STEP 3: Skip.

STEP 4: Sign the application. Optional: Provide contact information for purposes of receiving eligibility notification.

STEP 5: If you **do not want your information shared** with Medicaid/SCHIP and/or school/district programs, you must complete this step.

Optional: Complete the Children's Racial and Ethnic Survey on the back of the application.

If you are applying based of income eligibility or you are applying based on income and other source categorical eligibility (i.e. Foster Child, Head Start, Runaway, Homeless or Migrant), follow the instructions listed below:

STEP 1: List all students first and last names; Check the box if student does not have income. Optional: Provide date of birth and grade.

Check the appropriate box if the student is a Foster Child, Head Start, Runaway, Homeless or Migrant.

STEP 2: Skip this part.

STEP 3:

A. **Student Income:** Report the combined gross income (before taxes and other deductions) for ALL students' listed in Step 1 in your household in the box marked "Student Income." Only count foster children's income if you are applying for them together with the rest of your household. It is optional for the household to list foster children living with them as part of the household. Refer to "Sources of Income for Students at the bottom of this page.

B. **All Other Household Members (including yourself):** Print the name of each household member in the boxes marked "Names of Other Household Members." Do not include people who live with you but are not supported by your household's income and do not contribute income to your household. Do not list any household members you listed in STEP 1. If a student listed in STEP 1 has income, follow the instructions in STEP 3, part A.

Report Gross Income (total income before taxes and deductions) for each Household Member:

o *Earnings from work:* example: See "Earnings from Work" below. If you are paid \$500.00 bi-weekly, please record \$500.00 in the income blank and mark the bi-weekly check box. If you do not normally receive over-time pay, do not include in your reported income.

o *Income from Public Assistance/Child Support/Alimony:* See "Public Assistance/Child Support/Alimony" below. List the total amount each person received from **any public assistance programs (do not include income from SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR), child support or alimony.** For example: If you receive \$500.00 monthly for child support, please record \$500.00 in the income blank and mark the monthly check box.

o *Pensions/Retirement/All Other Income:* See "Pensions/Retirement/All Other Income" below. Report net income for self-owned business, farm, or rental income. Report gross income for pension or retirement income. Next to the amount, check how often the person receives it. If you are in the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include this housing allowance.

Report total household members. The total must equal all names listed on the application.

Provide the last four of the Social Security Number (SSN), or "Check if no SSN".

STEP 4: Sign the application. Optional: Provide contact information for purposes of receiving eligibility notification.

STEP 5: If you **do not want your information shared** with Medicaid/SCHIP and/or school/district programs, you must complete this step.

Optional: Complete the Children's Racial and Ethnic Survey on the back of the application.

Sources of Income to Report:

Sources of Income for Students:

Earnings from work
Social Security – Disability or
Survivor's payments
Any other type of regularly received
income

Earnings from Work:

Wages/salaries/tips
Strike benefits
Unemployment Compensation
Worker's Compensation
Net income from self-owned business
or farm

Pensions/Retirement/All Other Income:

Pensions
Supplemental Security Income
Retirement income
Veteran's benefits
Social Security
Disability benefits
Cash regularly withdrawn from savings
Interest/Dividends
Income from Estates/Trusts/Investments
Regular contributions from people not living in the
household
Net royalties/annuities/rental income
Any other regularly received income

Public Assistance/Child Support/Alimony:

Public assistance payments
Welfare payments
Alimony payments
Child support payments

Plateau Valley School 2017-2018 Household Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals

Complete one application per household. Please use a pen (not a pencil).

STEP 1 List all student's attending Plateau Valley School (if more spaces are required for additional names, attach another sheet of paper)

Student's First Name	MI	Student's Last Name	No Income	Birth Date					Grade	Check all that apply. Read How to Apply for Free and Reduced Price School Meals for more information.	Foster Child	Head Start	Runaway	Homeless	Migrant
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STEP 2 If household members (including you) currently participate in one of the following assistance programs: SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR list the case number below.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF/Colorado Works – Basic Cash Assistance or State Diversion), or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). **Provide case number and skip to Step 4.**

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
SNAP Case Number	TANF Case Number	FDPIR Case Number

STEP 3 Report income for ALL household members (Skip this step if you provided a case number in STEP 2)

A. Student Income

Please include the **TOTAL** income, if any, received by all students' listed above.

Student Income	How Often?				
	Weekly	Bi-Weekly	2x Month	Monthly	Annually
\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

B. All Other Household Members (including yourself)

List all other household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each household member listed, if they do receive income, report **TOTAL GROSS (BEFORE TAXES AND OTHER DEDUCTIONS)** for each source in whole dollars (no cents) only. If they do not receive income from any source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying that there is no income to report.

Names of Other Household Members (First and Last)	Earnings from Work	How Often?					Public Assistance/Child Support/Alimony	How Often?					Pensions/Retirement/All Other Income	How Often?				
		Weekly	Bi-Weekly	2x Month	Monthly	Annually		Weekly	Bi-Weekly	2x Month	Monthly	Annually		Weekly	Bi-Weekly	2x Month	Monthly	Annually
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Total Household Members (Students' and Adults)

Last four digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of adult signing this form or mark 'NO SSN' ONLY if Step 3B has been completed.

XXX-XX

Check if no SSN

STEP 4 Contact information and adult signature. Mail signed and completed application to: Plateau Valley School 56600 Hwy 330, Collbran, CO 81624

"I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds, and that school officials may verify (check) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	CO	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Mailing Address or PO Box	Apt. # or Lot #	City	Zip Code	Email Address
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Phone	SIGNATURE of Adult Household Member	Printed First and Last Name of Signer	Today's Date	

STEP 5 Release of Information

The information provided on this application will be used in conjunction with state educational programs and may be shared with Medicaid or State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) offices to seek enrollment of children into the above programs. Also, if your students are eligible to receive free or reduced price meals this information may be shared with the school/district for the purpose of waiving certain school/district program fees that your child(ren) might otherwise be required to pay. The school/district is not permitted to share your information with anyone else. You are not required to consent to the release of your information; this will not affect your student(s)' eligibility for school meals. **Your information WILL be shared unless you check one of the boxes below.**

Do NOT share my information with Medicaid/SCHIP Offices

OPTIONAL Children's Racial and Ethnic Identities

We are required to ask for information about your children's race and ethnicity. This information is important and helps to make sure we are fully serving our community. Responding to this section is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity (check one): Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (check one or more): American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific White

You may also qualify for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program! See more information below.

NEED HELP BUYING GROCERIES?

- Receive one-on-one assistance with applying for **food stamps**
- Referrals to **food pantries** and free meals
- Get information on child and senior **nutrition programs**

Food Resource Hotline

CALL US TODAY! STATEWIDE, TOLL-FREE **855-855-4626**
METRO DENVER **720-382-2920**

¿NO LE ALCANZA EL DINERO PARA COMPRAR COMIDA?

- Reciba ayuda personalizada para solicitar las **estampillas de comida**
- Derivaciones a **bancos de comida** y comidas gratis
- Obtenga información sobre **programas de nutrición** para niños y ancianos

Línea Directa de Recursos de Comidas
¡LLÁMENOS HOY! LÍNEA ESTATAL **855-855-4626**
METRO DENVER **720-382-2920**



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Colorado PEAK is an online service for Coloradans to screen and apply for medical, food and cash assistance programs.

Visit coloradopeak.force.com to learn more.

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

DISTRICT USE ONLY. DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE.

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52; Bi-Weekly x 26; 2 Times per Month x 24; Monthly x 12

Application Type:
 Total Household Income: \$ _____ Household Size: _____
 Household Income Frequency - Weekly Bi-Weekly 2x/Month Monthly Annually
 Categorical Eligibility - SNAP FDPIR TANF Foster
 Homeless/Migrant/Runaway/Head Start

Application Status:
 Approved - Free Reduced
 Denied - Over Income Guidelines Incomplete/Missing: _____
 Notes: _____

Determining Official Signature: _____

Approval/Denial Date: _____

Notification Sent: _____