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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

NEWS RELEASE

National School Lunch Program in KPBSD schools

Soldotna, August 9, 2016— The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (KPBSD) participates in the National School Lunch Program. Applications for free and reduced meals are currently being accepted. Meals will be available to all children at these schools:

Chapman School; Fireweed Academy; Homer Flex; Homer High School; Homer Middle School; Kalifornsky Beach Elementary; Kaleidoscope School of Arts and Science; Kenai Alternative High School; Kenai Central High School; Kenai Middle School; McNeil Canyon Elementary; Moose Pass School; Mountain View Elementary; Nanwalek School; Nikiski Middle-High School; Nikiski North Star Elementary; Nikolaevsk School; Ninilchik School; Paul Banks Elementary; Port Graham School; Redoubt Elementary; River City Academy; Seward Elementary; Seward High School; Seward Middle School; Skyview Middle School; Soldotna Elementary; Soldotna High School; Soldotna Prep School; Soldotna Montessori; Sterling Elementary; Susan B. English School; Tebughna School; Tustumena Elementary; and West Homer Elementary.

Meals meet nutritional standards set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Our schools will participate in the National School Lunch Program, After School Snack, and School Breakfast Program.

Parents and Guardians

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, 2016 through June 30, 2017. 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 Native Family Assistance Program (NFAP), 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.

Link

KPBSD [Student Nutrition Services](http://bit.ly/StudentNutritionServices) webpage: <http://bit.ly/StudentNutritionServices>

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Income Eligibility Guidelines, school year: 2016-2017

Household Size	Reduced Price Meals – 185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines					Free Meals – 130 % of Federal Poverty Guidelines				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	27,454	2,288	1,144	1,056	528	19,292	1,608	804	742	371
2	37,037	3,087	1,544	1,425	713	26,026	2,169	1,085	1,001	501
3	46,620	3,885	1,943	1,794	897	32,760	2,730	1,365	1,260	630
4	56,203	4,684	2,342	2,162	1,081	39,494	3,292	1,646	1,519	760
5	65,786	5,483	2,742	2,531	1,266	46,228	3,853	1,927	1,778	889
6	75,369	6,281	3,141	2,899	1,450	52,962	4,414	2,207	2,037	1,019
7	84,952	7,080	3,540	3,268	1,634	59,696	4,975	2,488	2,296	1,148
8	94,572	7,881	3,941	3,638	1,819	66,456	5,538	2,769	2,556	1,278
For each additional family member add:										
	9,620	802	401	370	185	6,760	564	282	260	130

For more information, or to get an application for free or reduced-price school meals, contact KPBSD Student Nutrition Services, 139 Park Avenue, Soldotna AK 99669, or call 907-714-8831. Applications cannot be approved until fully completed. Information provided on applications 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 or children 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.

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- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
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