

Lewiston-Porter Central School District

One Purpose, Your Pathway, Our Promise.

PLEASE READ ~ **NEW AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION BELOW** ~ PLEASE READ

Dear Families of Lewiston-Porter Students:

As in past years, Lewiston-Porter Central School District once again has elected to participate in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). This federal leveled program assists schools in serving students nutritionally balanced and low-cost or free meals. At the state level, this program is facilitated by state agencies with executed agreements with individual food authorities. (ie. School Districts) In those agreements, schools <u>must</u> comply with all mandated rules and regulations to remain as a participant in the program. Which is why students cannot carry a negative meal balance with the school.

Some families who believe that they will not qualify for free or reduced meals for their children simply did not complete and return the application. Here comes the "**New and Important Information**"......

<u>Lewiston - Porter Central School District has set a lofty goal of receiving completed applications from 100% of our families by September 13, 2024. The reasons for this goal are listed below.</u>

The processing of returned applications determines:

- Eligibility for free or reduced meals
- Eligibility for waivers for AP exams, PSAT, etc
- Higher FEDERAL allocations of grant funding (regardless of eligibility)
- Possible eligibility to convert from the NSLP to the Community Eligibility Provision (Lew-Port is closing in on being eligible to provide free meals to ALL students)

Please join us and support our goal of positioning our district to provide more benefits to our students and their families.

Kind regards,

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