

Dear BD Family,

The USDA and the Department of Education decided to make a change to the National School Lunch Program, which now offers FREE meals to ALL American Students.

Every traditional or virtually enrolled student, regardless of current meal benefit status, may receive one free school lunch per scheduled instructional day, beginning September 28, and continuing until May 26, 2021 or until the USA funding is depleted-whichever comes first.

This decision is retroactive to the first day of the 2020-21 School Year (August 12). Every student meal purchased since August 12, 2020 up to September 28, 2020 will be credited to their school lunch account. The credit will be available for future use.

We are sending home Boxed Lunches after school so your student can receive 5 meals a week. **We encourage All students to take advantage of the free meals. Just stop by the cafeteria after school to pick one up.**

Students coming to school 4 days a week receive 4 free lunches. They may only pick up a lunch after school on Thursday for Friday.

Below is the schedule in which BD Students in Mode 2 will receive their free lunches while in school.

Gold Group:

- Eat lunch in school Mondays / Wednesdays
- Pick up lunch for Tuesday after school on Monday
- Pick up lunch for Thursday and Friday after school on Wednesday

Blue Group:

- Eat lunch in school Tuesday / Thursday
- Pick up lunch for Wednesday after school on Tuesday
- Pick up lunches for Friday and Monday after school on Thursday

Our BD Virtual students (every day) are invited to participate in this free lunch program. They can choose to pick up their lunches after school with the Blue Group students.

Dissemination of lunches after school will occur in the cafeteria (using the hot lunch lines from 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm).

If you are interested in participating in the "Next Day" lunch pick up after school, please complete the form by clicking on this link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdINkqGfsFiW00EwNJ2CoqXho-pm5cYU3W-vaviSBzyVCPKJA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdINkqGfsFiW00EwNJ2CoqXho-pm5cYU3W-vaviSBzyVCPKJA/viewform?usp=sf_link)