

## IMPORTANT STUDENT MEAL UPDATE

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We want to update you with exciting news about universal free school meals. Governor Healey and the Massachusetts Legislature have made Massachusetts the 8th state to make **School Meals for All permanent, beginning immediately for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year!** School meals will be offered at no cost to all students.

**Please note that even though meals will be free for all, it is very important for families to still complete the household Application for Free and Reduced Price Meals for the 2023-2024 school year.** You can view and complete the application here at [www.kingphilip.org](http://www.kingphilip.org) on the Food Services Page. Meal applications can also be found in the main office, the guidance office, and the kitchen office at both King Philip High School and King Philip Middle School. We strongly encourage ALL families to submit this form as it allows us to waive fees for certain school activities and clubs should eligibility be established.

In addition, please consider applying for SNAP, the federal nutrition program that provides eligible residents with monthly financial assistance to purchase groceries. More SNAP information can be found at [gettingsnap.org](http://gettingsnap.org) or by calling Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline at 1-800-645-8333.

For school year 23-24, the cost of a second student meal will be \$3.50 and the cost of a second breakfast which is available at the HS only will be \$2.00. Lunch accounts can be set up at [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com) or funds may be deposited directly to a student account at the point-of-sale register. Lunch accounts may be used to purchase a second meal and a variety of A-List snacks

The food and nutrition department at KING PHILIP REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT thanks you for your patience awaiting this news! As always, we are grateful for the opportunity to provide nourishing and healthy meals to all King Philip students so please reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

Best,  
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