

2026-2027 FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICATION

Part 1. ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

Names of all household members (First, Middle Initial, Last)	Name of school and grade level for each child/or indicate "NA" if child is not in school.		Check if a foster child (legal responsibility of welfare agency or court) *If all children listed below are foster children, skip to Part 5 to sign this form.	Check if No Income
	School	Grade		
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Part 2. BENEFITS: If any member of your household receives Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Ohio Works First (OWF) benefits, provide the name and 7-digit case number for the person who receives benefits and **skip to Part 5**. If no one receives these benefits, **skip to Part 3**.

NAME: _____ 7-DIGIT CASE NUMBER: _____

Part 3. If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway check the appropriate box and call Martins Ferry City Schools, Greg Harkness at greg.harkness@mfcisd.org or 740-633-1732.

Homeless ☐ Migrant ☐ Runaway ☐

Part 4. TOTAL HOUSEHOLD GROSS INCOME (before deductions). List all income on the same line as the person who receives it. Check the box for how often it is received. Record each income only once.

1. NAME (List all household members with income)	2. GROSS INCOME AND HOW OFTEN IT WAS RECEIVED															
	Earnings from work before deductions	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Twice Monthly	Monthly	Welfare, child support, alimony	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Twice Monthly	Monthly	Pensions, retirement, Social Security, SSI, VA benefits	Weekly	Every 2 Weeks	Twice Monthly	Monthly	All Other Income (indicate frequency, such as "weekly" "monthly" "quarterly" "annually")
(Example) Jane Smith	\$200	☒	☐	☐	☐	\$150	☐	☒	☐	☐	\$0	☐	☐	☐	☐	\$50.00/quarterly
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Part 5. SCHOOL INSTRUCTIONAL FEE WAIVER ADULT CONSENT: Your child(ren) may qualify for a waiver of their school instructional fees. Your permission is required to share your meal application information with school officials to determine if your child(ren) qualifies for a fee waiver. Answering this question will not change whether your children will receive free or reduced-price meals.

Please check a box: ☐ Yes, I agree to have my meal application used to determine if my child(ren) qualifies for a fee waiver.

☐ No, I do not agree to have my meal application used to determine if my child(ren) qualifies for a fee waiver.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Part 6. SIGNATURE AND LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (ADULT MUST SIGN)

An adult household member must sign the application. If Part 4 is completed, the adult signing the form must also list the last four digits of his or her Social Security Number or mark the "I do not have a Social Security Number" box. (See Privacy Act Statement on the back of this page.)

I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the school will receive federal funds based on the information I give. I understand that school officials may verify (check) the information. I understand that deliberate misrepresentation of the information may cause my children to lose meal benefits and I may be subject to prosecution under state and federal statutes.

Sign here: X _____ Print name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Last four digits of your Social Security Number: _____ ☐ I do not have a Social Security Number

Part 7. Children's ethnic and racial 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.

Choose one ethnicity:	Choose one or more (regardless of ethnicity):
☐ Hispanic/Latino	☐ Asian
☐ Not Hispanic/Latino	☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
	☐ Black or African American
	☐ White
	☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Do not complete this section. Intended for school use only.

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice A Month x 24, Monthly x 12

Total Income: _____ Per: Week, Every 2 Weeks, Twice per Month, Month, Year Household size: _____

Categorical Eligibility: _____ Date Withdrawn: _____ Eligibility: Free _____ Reduced _____ Denied _____ Reason: _____

Determining/Approval Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Confirming Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Follow-up Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____

If selected for Verification, Date Verification Notice Sent: _____ Response Date: _____ 2nd Notice Sent: _____ Results Sent: _____

Verification Result: No Change _____ Free to Reduced Price _____ Free to Paid _____ Reduced Price to Free _____ Reduced Price to Paid _____

MARTINS FERRY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

5001 Ayers Limestone Road * Martins Ferry, OH 43935 * (740) 633-1732

July 1, 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Martins Ferry City Schools is excited to offer Free Breakfast to ALL Students for the 2026-2027 school year! To avoid charges on your student's account, please fill out the enclosed lunch application and return it as soon as possible in the envelope enclosed. This information is very important for **all households** to submit and will be handled confidentially. Please include all students and other members of the household on one application. We have included a pre-paid envelope for you to simply mail back the form or email your application to rhonda.yoder@mfcscd.org. School Lunch prices will be as follows: Elementary Lunch \$3.50, Middle School/High School Lunch \$3.75. The State Department has agreed to pay the \$.40 required for Reduced Price Meals.

Students are not permitted to Charge Ala Carte items or Snacks. Any student that does not have money on their account to pay for items will be given a hot lunch from our menu. No a la carte items or snacks will be served without funds. You may deposit money and monitor your child's lunch purchases online at myschoolbucks.com. Log onto the website and set up an account to add funds and see your student's purchases. The link is also available on our school website. Students may also deposit money at breakfast only. A check or cash must be in an envelope and marked with the student's name and lunch number. We will not accept cash during lunch periods. Money must be on the student's account in order to purchase items.

Please contact me at 740-633-1732 ext. 0, with any questions. *We look forward to providing healthy meals to all of our students!*

Respectfully,



Rhonda Yoder
Administrative Assistant
Food Service Supervisor

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Mission Statement:

The mission of Martins Ferry City Schools is to develop critical thinkers and responsible citizens in a positive and safe learning environment.