



Principal's Newsletter

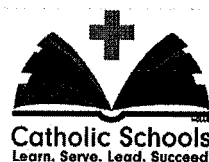
From the desk of

Mr. Gruenauer

January 2019

Dear Families,

Please join us for our Catholic Schools Mass January 27th at 9:00 a.m. Students are encouraged to wear their school uniform and process into the church with their teachers and class. After the procession they may sit with their families. Please join us in showing support for our wonderful school! After the mass we will hold our open house in the school from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



We are excited to celebrate Catholic Schools Week January 27th - February 1st. We have a variety of activities planned this year for students.

February

Thank you to parishioners Peter and Beverly Kuszcak for their generous donation to the School Athletics Program. Peter & Beverly Kuszcak are long time parishioners and had children that graduated from our school many years ago and Peter was the coordinator of the Boys Varsity Basketball League for over 20 years. It is donations like these that truly make a difference in what our school has to offer!

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IMPORTANT

If any family is in need of a registration packet for Pre-K or Kindergarten whose child is currently NOT registered at St. Stephen's please call the school office to request a registration packet. We will send the requested packet home with your child.

Additionally, please call the school office if you are interested in our Pre-K4 or Pre-K3 program.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 Catholic Schools Week
4 School Liturgy: 9:00 a.m. Blessing of Throats	5	6	7	8 School Play: 7 p.m. Dress Down (Athletic Booster)
11 Grades 1&2 Liturgy	12 Grades 3-5 Liturgy	13 Grades 6-8 Liturgy	14	15 Club & Group Pictures
18 President's Day No School	19 Mid-winter recess No School	20 Mid-winter recess No School	21 Mid-winter recess No School	22 Mid-winter recess No School
25	26	27	28	



FEBRUARY 2019

St. Stephen School

Menu Subject to change due to availability.
USDA is an equal opportunity employer

Monday

Alternate Daily Entrees:

PB & Jelly Sandwich

Turkey Hotdog

Pizza

Chicken Patty on a Bun

Mashed Potatoes

Peas & Carrots

Chicken Nuggets

French Fries

Sweet Corn

Chicken Nuggets

Oven Baked Fries

Glazed Carrots

Tuesday

Chicken Fajita

Mexican Rice

Corn

Slushie

Taco in a Bag

Rice-n-Beans

Corn

Slushie

Dos Taco

2 Hard Shell Tacos

Mexican Rice

Corn

Slushie

Wednesday

Lasagna Roll-Up

Garlic Breadstick

Green Beans

Roasted Turkey

w/Gravy

Dinner Roll

Mashed Potato

Green Beans

Cranberry Sauce

Mini Cheese Ravioli

Garlic Breadstick

Garden Salad

Brunch for Lunch

Cheese Omelet

Biscuit

Breakfast Sausage

Tater Tots

Juice

Brunch for Lunch

French Toast Sticks

Scrambled Eggs

Sausage

Hash Brown Patty

Juice

February Break

Also Gante Snack Price List

Ice Cream \$7.75 / \$1.00

Chips \$7.75 / \$1.00

Fresh Baked Cookies \$2.25

Fruit \$1.60 / Fruit Cup \$1.50

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Stuffed Crust Pizza

Veggie Boat w/Dip

Rice Krispie Treat

Offered Daily w/ Every Lunch:

Asst. Fat Free & Low Fat Milk

Fresh Fruit & Fruit Chips

Baby Carrots w/ Ranch

Romaine & Baby Spinach Salad



Varsity Boys Last Home Game vs. DeSales Tonight at 7:30pm!

During the two games, we will be running a small fundraiser for the PUNT fund. The P.U.N.T. Fund (formerly P.U.N.T. Foundation) was founded as a public charity in 2004 by former NFL Punter Brian Moorman who played for the Buffalo Bills from 2001-2013. The mission is to provide comprehensive and practical support to families in Western New York that are facing pediatric cancer is stronger than ever before.

St. Stephen's will have an honorary team member at this game. He is a close friend to Coach Esposito and his family. His name is Shawn, known to everyone as "Baby Shawn". Baby Shawn is beating the odds of a cancer that's never been beaten.

He was diagnosed with Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) on Aug. 14, 2015. The tumor is located near his brain stem and is inoperable and considered highly aggressive. Since his diagnosis, he has become one of the longest-surviving patients of this rare type of pediatric brain cancer.

There's almost nothing that can be done for Shawn other than give him a normal life mixed in with some amazing moments — like meeting NBA superstar and personal hero Stephen Curry of the Golden State Warriors. Shawn also met Roger Goodell to persuade the NFL commissioner to have the players wear Gold on Sunday. Goodell met Shawn half way at that is why the NFL instituted the Crucial Catch which is a program that brings awareness to various cancers including pediatric cancer. Baby Shawn has certainly made a difference.

All proceeds from our concessions and 50/50 raffle go directly to the PUNT Fund. We encourage all families, fans and players coming to Wednesday's game(s) to wear GOLD to show your support for Baby Shawn and this charity that has helped his family.

Snowball Dance Bus Information

The SSS School Bus will be providing transportation for kids attending the dance at St. Greg's this Friday, 1/25.

Drop off/pick up will be inside school office doors at the designated times below:

5th & 6th Grade

Please arrive by 5:15 PM. Bus will leave by 5:30 PM.
Bus will arrive back to SSS by 8:20 PM for parent pick up.

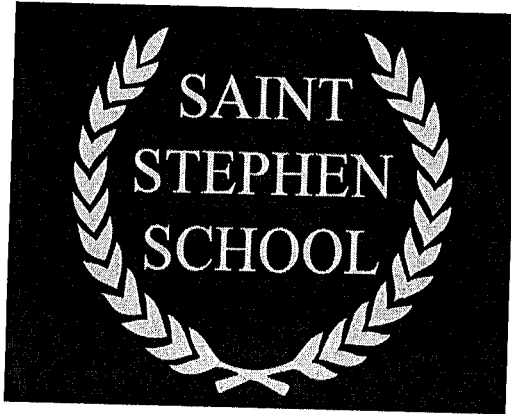
7th & 8th Grade

Please arrive by 8:15 PM. Bus will leave by 8:30 PM.
Bus will arrive back to SSS by 11:20 PM for parent pick up.

****All parents 5-8th grade should have received an email from their Room Parent with more detailed information****

Tickets are still available at: www.frcdb.org/snowball

If you have any questions or didn't receive email, please contact Jenn DeRose at jennderose@hotmail.com or 716.213.3948.



Athletic Boosters

SPONSORED DRESS DOWN DAYS

Help support our athletic department!

Mark your calendars for

Friday, February 8th

Friday, March 8th

**Pay \$1.00 to dress down and out of
uniform!**

*Proceeds from these dress down days will go towards new uniforms for
our basketball teams.*

Dear St. Stephen Families,

Please read the below message from the Grand Island Central School District Lunch Manager...

Grand Island School District Messenger

Dear Parents/Guardians, In regards to the government shutdown, the Grand Island Food Service Department is encouraging any family affected during this time to fill out a free and reduced meal application. This program is available to everyone, so any person that has been laid off of a job, or has a reduction in income, can apply for free or reduced meals at any time during the school year. For families that apply, the district will look at your recent income history to determine eligibility. It is recommended to take your income from the last 2 weeks. Simply complete the form and have your child return it to the main office. Once you apply, you are eligible for the entire school year. If you no longer want or need the benefit, you can call the food service office at (716) 773-8885 and revise your eligibility status. Attached you will find the 2018-2019 application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals. Pat Smith School Lunch Manager Grand Island Central School District 1100 Ransom Rd. Grand Island, NY 14072 P: 716-773-8885

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August 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Attached you will find a Family Application for School Meals for the 2018-19 school year. Each year a new application needs to be filled out and returned by the end of September. June's eligibility carries forward into the new school year; however, we must receive a new application by the end of September to ensure processing before the grace period expires. *Please return the application as soon as possible.* If you receive a direct certification letter from the state that qualifies your family for free meals, you can return that instead of an application.

Results from the application/direct certification process are tabulated and used to determine District eligibility for other student programs. *In order to maximize funding for the students of Grand Island, we must maximize the number of family applications. Applications and their outcomes are kept confidential.* Parents need to return a signed consent form for individual eligibility status to be shared. (See last page for consent form)

Last year's eligibility is only valid for the first 30 days of the new school year. If a new application is not received, students receiving benefits will convert to full price at this time. Please be aware that your child is not eligible for free or reduced meals until you receive official notification from the Food Service Department. You will receive a letter within 7-10 days of returning a complete application. All new students to the District (including Pre-K and Kindergarteners) will pay full price until a completed application is approved, so please return one ASAP if you believe you might be eligible. You can submit a new application if your household status changes at any time during the school year.

Breakfast is served in all of our district schools for all students. (except St. Stephen's)

Breakfast provides students with the nutrition they need to start the school day in the right way! ALL students are encouraged to take part in our School Breakfast program. The cost of the reduced breakfast is \$0.25 cents and there is no charge for those who qualify for free meals. Full price in the Elementary Schools is only \$1.00 and in the Middle and High School \$1.25.

Prices for the 2018-2019 school year will remain constant. Families are encouraged to pre-pay for their student's meals to keep lunch time stress-free. Payments can be made by cash or check to the School Lunch Fund or you can set up an online account at myschoolbucks.com. (Student ID number is needed.)

The enclosed Application Fact Sheet and Letter to Parents can be very helpful when filling out the application. Please call Pat or Judy in the Food Service office at 773-8885 if you have any questions regarding the application process or our program in general.

Sincerely,



Dr. Brian Graham
Superintendent of Schools

Grand Island Central School District

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FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEAL APPLICATION FACT SHEET

When filling out the application form, please pay careful attention to these helpful hints.

SNAP/TANF/FDPIR case number: This must be the complete valid case number supplied to you by the agency including all numbers and letters, for example, E123456, or whatever combination is used in your county. Refer to a letter you received from your local Department of Social Services for your case number or contact them for your number.

Foster Child: A child who is living with a family but who is under the legal care of the welfare agency or court may be listed on your family application. List the child's "personal use" income. This includes only those funds provided by the agency which are identified for the personal use of the child, such as personal spending allowances, money received by his/her family, or from a job. Funds provided for housing, food and care, medical, and therapeutic needs are not considered income to the foster child. Write "0" if the child has no personal use income.

Household: A group of related or non-related people who are living in one house and share income and expenses.

Adult Family Members: All related and non-related people who are 21 years of age and older living in your house.

Financially Independent: A person is financially independent and a separate economic unit/household when his or her earnings and expenses are not shared by the family/household. Separate economic units in the same residence are characterized by prorating expenses and by economic independence from one another.

Current Gross Income: Money earned or received at the present time by each member of your household before deductions. Examples of deductions are federal tax, State tax, and Social Security deductions. If you have more than one job, you must list the income from all jobs. If you receive income from more than one source (wage, alimony, child support, etc.), you must list the income from all sources. Only farmers, self-employed workers, migrant workers, and other seasonal employees may use their income for the past 12 months reported from their 1040 Tax Forms.

Examples of gross income are:

- Wages, salaries, tips, commissions, or income from self-employment
- Net farm income – gross sales minus expenses only – not losses
- Pensions, annuities, or other retirement income including Social Security retirement benefits
- Unemployment compensation
- Welfare payments (does not include value of SNAP)
- Public Assistance payments
- Adoption assistance
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Survivor's Benefits
- Alimony or child support payments
- Disability benefits, including workman's compensation
- Veteran's subsistence benefits
- Interest or dividend income
- Cash withdrawn from savings, investments, trusts, and other resources which would be available to pay for a child's meals
- Other cash income

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

If you have any questions or need help in filling out the application form, please contact:

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Letter to Parents for School Meal Programs

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. The Grand Island Central School District offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs \$1.00 at Sidway, Huth Road and Kaegabein Elementary. Lunch costs \$2.25 at Sidway and \$2.50 at Huth Road and Kaegabein Elementary. The Middle School and High School breakfasts cost \$1.25. Lunch costs \$2.75 at the Middle School and \$3.00 at the High School. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$0.25 for breakfast and \$0.25 for lunch.

1. **DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?** No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. *Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household.* We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: your child's school or the Food Service Office at 1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island, NY 14072.
2. **WHO CAN GET FREE MEALS?** All children in households receiving benefits from SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations or TANF, can get free meals regardless of your income. Categorical eligibility for free meal benefits is extended to all children in a household when the application lists an Assistance Program's case number for any household member. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Households with children who are categorically eligible through an Other Source Categorical Eligible designation, as defined by law, may be eligible for free benefits and should contact the SFA for assistance in receiving benefits.
3. **CAN FOSTER CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income. Foster children may also be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits for other children. If non-foster children in a foster family are not eligible for free or reduced price meal benefits, an eligible foster child will still receive free benefits.
4. **CAN HOMELESS, RUNAWAY, AND MIGRANT CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Mrs. Cheryl Cardone, Director of Pupil Services at (716) 773-8816 to see if they qualify.
5. **WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS?** Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this application.
6. **SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS?** Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the Food Service Office at (716) 773-8885 if you have questions.
7. **MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE?** Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first 30 operating days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
8. **I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out a FREE/REDUCED PRICE MEAL application.
9. **WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED?** Yes and we may also ask you to send written proof.
10. **IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?** Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
11. **WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION?** You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Dr. Brian Graham, Superintendent of Schools, Grand Island CSD, 1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island NY 14072, (716) 773-8801, briangraham@giscd.org.
12. **MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN?** Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
13. **WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE AS MEMBERS OF MY HOUSEHOLD?** You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
14. **WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME?** List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
15. **WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE INCLUDE OUR HOUSING ALLOWANCE AS INCOME?** If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.
16. **MY SPOUSE IS DEPLOYED TO A COMBAT ZONE. IS HER COMBAT PAY COUNTED AS INCOME?** No, if the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.
17. **MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR?** To find out how to apply for SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-800-342-3009.
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2018-2019 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 22,459	\$ 1,872	\$ 936	\$ 864	\$ 432
2	\$ 30,451	\$ 2,538	\$ 1,269	\$ 1,172	\$ 586
3	\$ 38,443	\$ 3,204	\$ 1,602	\$ 1,479	\$ 740
4	\$ 46,435	\$ 3,870	\$ 1,935	\$ 1,786	\$ 893
5	\$ 54,427	\$ 4,536	\$ 2,268	\$ 2,094	\$ 1,047
6	\$ 62,419	\$ 5,202	\$ 2,601	\$ 2,401	\$ 1,201
7	\$ 70,411	\$ 5,868	\$ 2,934	\$ 2,709	\$ 1,355
8	\$ 78,403	\$ 6,534	\$ 3,267	\$ 3,016	\$ 1,508
*Each Add'l person add	\$ 7,992	\$ 666	\$ 333	\$ 308	\$ 154

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children carefully complete one application following the instructions for your household and return it to the designated office listed on the application. If you now receive SNAP, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for any children, or participate in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), the application must include the children's names, the household SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children should be listed on the same application. If you do not list a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number for any household member, the application must include the names of everyone in the household, the amount of income each household member, and how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and the last four digits of that adult's social security number, or check the box if the adult does not have a social security number. An application that is not complete cannot be approved. Contact your local Department of Social Services for your SNAP or TANF case number or complete the income portion of the application. No application is necessary if the household was notified by the SFA their children have been directly certified. If the household is not sure if their children have been directly certified, the household should contact the school.

Reporting Changes: The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year. You no longer need to report changes for an increase in income or decrease in household size, or if you no longer receive SNAP.

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or disability

Nondiscrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

(1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

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

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Meal Service to Children With Disabilities: Federal regulations require schools and institutions to serve meals at no extra charge to children with a disability which may restrict their diet. A student with a disability is defined in 7CFR Part 15b.3 of Federal regulations, as one who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities. Major life activities are defined to include functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working. You must request the special meals from the school and provide the school with medical certification from a medical doctor. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information, as there is specific information that the medical certification must contain.

Confidentiality: The United States Department of Agriculture has approved the release of students names and eligibility status, without parent/guardian consent, to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of federal education programs such as Title I and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which are United States Department of Education programs used to determine areas such as the allocation of funds to schools, to evaluate socioeconomic status of the school's attendance area, and to assess educational progress. Information may also be released to State health or State education programs administered by the State agency or local education agency, provided the State or local education agency administers the program, and federal State or local nutrition programs similar to the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, all information contained in the free and reduced price application may be released to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or Child Nutrition Act (CNA); including the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Special Milk Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC); the Comptroller General of the United States for audit purposes, and federal, State or local law enforcement officials investigating alleged violation of the programs under the NSLA or CNA.

Reapplication: You may apply for benefits any time during the school year. Also, if you are not eligible now, but during the school year become unemployed, have a decrease in household income, or an increase in family size you may request and complete an application at that time.

The disclosure of eligibility information not specifically authorized by the NSLA requires a written consent statement from the parent/guardian. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

Sincerely,



Dr. Brian Graham
Superintendent of Schools

Date Withdrew _____

Attachment Va F ____ R ____ D ____

2018-2019 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and **return it to the address listed below**. Call (716)773-8885, if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

Return Completed Applications to: **Your child's school or the Food Service Office at
1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island NY 14072**

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	Homeless Migrant, Runaway
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2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. **Skip to Part 4, and sign the application.**

Name: _____ CASE #: _____

3. Report all income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'yes' to step 2)

All Household Members (including yourself and all children that have income).

List all Household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any other source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions Amount / How Often	Child Support, Alimony Amount / How Often	Pensions, Retirement Payments Amount / How Often	Other Income, Social Security Amount / How Often	No Income
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Total Household Members (Children and Adults)

*Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: XXX-XX- ____ - ____

I do not have a SS# ☐

"When completing section 3, an adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS# box" before the application can be approved.

4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Address: _____

5. Ethnicity and Race are optional; responding to this section does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity: ☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island ☐ White

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE - FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)
Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12

☐ SNAP/TANF/Foster

☐ Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____

☐ Free Meals ☐ Reduced Price Meals ☐ Denied/Paid

Signature of Reviewing Official _____ Date Notice Sent: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to your child's school or the Food Service Office at 1100 Ransom Road, Grand Island NY 14072. If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is not needed. Call the school if you need help: (716)773-8885. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school.
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDIPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDIPIR number.

PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. **Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box.** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should **not** be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs **PART 4** if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. **If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR number, a social security number is not needed.**
- (5) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDIPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

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- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
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Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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CONSENT TO RELEASE FREE OR REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

School officials may release information that shows that my child/children are eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk to the following programs. I understand that the information will only be provided to the program(s) checked.

(Check the box next to the program area(s) you wish to release information to)

- ☐ Federal health programs such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).
- ☐ State or federal programs such as the Youth Summer Work program or the Educational Talent Search Program.
- ☐ Local health and education programs and other local programs that provide benefits such as free textbooks or school supplies, free band instruments, or reduced fees for summer school or driver education.
- ☐ Community programs such as holiday baskets, summer arts and playground programs.

I understand that I will be releasing information that will show that my child/children are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk. I give consent to release my confidential information for the above named uses.

Child/Children:

I certify that I am the child's parent/guardian for whom the application was made.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Date: _____

Nondiscrimination Statement:

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SCRIP ORDER FORM

CONTACT NAME _____ PHONE _____ DATE _____ FILLED BY _____

TOTAL PAID _____ CHECK # _____ CASH _____

PLEASE CREDIT THE FOLLOWING: MY TUITION ID# _____ TUITION FAMILY NAME _____

NEW CHURCH FUND

GENERAL SCHOOL FUND

Retailer	\$AMT	Credit	QTY	Total	Stock	Retailer	\$AMT	Credit	QTY	Total	Stock
AUTO						HOUSEHOLD					
Delta Sonic Super Kiss	\$12	50%			S	Home Depot	\$25	4%			S
Delta Oil Change -P Out	\$25	20%					\$100	4%			S
CLOTHING, DEPARTMENT STORES						Michaels	\$25	4%			S
Bed Bath Beyond	\$25	6%			S	JoAnn Fabrics	\$25	5%			S
Kohl's (In-store, Online & Pay Charge)	\$25	4%			S	Lowe's	\$25	4%			S
	\$100	4%			S		\$100	4%			S
Target	\$25	2%			S	RESTAURANT					
TJ Maxx/Marshalls	\$25	6%			S	Applebee's	\$25	8%			S
Walmart/Sams	\$25	2.5%			S	Bob Evans	\$10	8%			S
Walmart/Sams	\$100	2.5%			S	B. Wild Wings-Phase Out	\$25	7%			
Walgreens	\$25	4%			S	Burger King	\$10	4%			S
MOVIE THEATRES						Chipotle	\$10	10%			S
AMC Theaters	\$25	7%			S	Chili's	\$25	7%			S
Regal Cinema	\$25	6%			S	Denny's	\$10	6%			S
Regal Movie Pass	\$11	9%			S	Olive Garden	\$25	6%			S
GENERAL & MISC./CHILDREN & TOYS						Outback/Bone	\$25	6%			S
Amazon.com	\$25	4%			S	Panera Bread	\$10	6%			S
	\$100	4%			S	Starbucks	\$10	6%			S
Barnes & Noble	\$10	8%			S	Subway	\$10	3%			S
Bath & Body	\$10	9%			S	TGI Fridays - Phase Out	\$25	7%			
I Tunes	\$15	4%			S	Tim Hortons	\$10	5%			S
Dick's Sporting	\$25	6%			S	Wendy's	\$10	4%			S
SPECIAL PROMOTIONS (until gone)							\$25	5%			S
Payless Shoes \$20	\$18	0%			S	Tops	\$50	5%			\$
							\$100	5%			S

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AUTHORIZATION: My signature below authorizes St. Stephen School to release my Scrip Order to my child _____ in Grade _____ to be delivered in his/her backpack. I understand St. Stephen is not responsible for lost or stolen cards during transportation.

SIGNATURE _____