

Meals for Lancaster Children Under the Age of 18

Lancaster County Public Schools will begin meal pick-up and delivery services on Monday, March 23rd. The hours for delivery and pick up will be 9:00am - 11:00am on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. (Mondays will include meals for Tuesday, Wednesdays will include meals for Thursday.) Pick-up locations will be LPS and LMS. Breakfast and lunch will be available to all Lancaster County children under the age of 18 regardless of whether or not they are a student of Lancaster County Public Schools. In order to ensure that all kids who need meals receive them, we ask that you send a text *or* email to request meals. Please share this information with folks in our community who may not be aware or have access.

- **Monday, March 23rd: pick-up *and* delivery** will be begin
- **Pick-up and Delivery Requirements: Students must be present.** This is mandated by the USDA and the VDOE.
- **Email or text to request meals:** scarter@lcs.k12.va.us **or** 804.436.7176
 - Provide number of children needing meals
 - Request pick up OR delivery
 - Provide address for delivery OR determine pick up location (LPS & LMS)
 - Notify of any special dietary needs
 - Provide phone number

If you have a need for food prior to Monday, March 23rd please text 804.436.7176 or email scarter@lcs.k12.va.us. We will have food bags available and will work with families on a case by case basis to get these to you through Friday, March 20th. Also, we are working with other community resources to assist in sharing information and ensuring that all kids have food if needed. **Please use the link below for additional resources for meals from Healthy Harvest Food Bank.

<https://www.hhfb.org/pantries/>

**As we monitor this program over the next couple of weeks, changes to the plan may take place in order to best serve our children and community.

Continuity of Learning

You may be wondering how your student/s will continue to learn during this time. At this point, we have been given a waiver by the state for these two weeks and this absence of time in the classrooms will in no way affect student's grades. Our top priority continues to be to provide meals to our students and to keep students, staff and our community healthy. We want to allow our families to focus on their family, find solutions to childcare needs and to be able to socially distance if possible. When needed, we will certainly provide instructional resources to continue

learning for our students in a way that is equitable for our rural community. Any work that will be provided will not be required or graded and will be considered independent practice. We will continue to follow directives from the VDOE to determine how to best engage our students in continued learning if the time schools are closed should be extended. Again, as the situation is changing quickly, please allow for flexibility.