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Dear Parent or Guardian,

At this time, to the best of our knowledge, the USDA Universal Free Meals program that has been in place for the past two school years will be discontinued in the fall as school begins.

This means, school meals will no longer be free to all students starting in the 2022-2023 school year.

For a student to receive free meals or meals at a reduced price, families must apply through one of the following processes:

- Enroll in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
  - This program can be applied for online at: https://www.connect.ct.gov/access/jsp/access/Home.jsp
- Submit a meal benefit application to our school district
  - O A printable copy of the application is attached at the end of this letter and can be mailed to Granby Public Schools, 15B North Granby Road, Granby CT 06035, Attn: Karen Montagna or emailed to montagnak@granbyschools.org. If you do not have access to printer or need help with the application please contact Karen Montagna, 860-844-5253, montagnak@granbyschools.org.
  - o In addition, a copy of the application will be available for pick up in all school offices and the BOE office after July 1, 2022.

We strongly urge all families to apply for meal benefits through one of the methods listed above, even if your family has not qualified for benefits in the past. Enrollment in the meal benefits program assists our district and our students far beyond the positive impacts on student health. Additional funding for student education, technology, scholarships, and more are all tied to meal benefit enrollment.

Students who are not enrolled in free meals through one of the methods above and choose to participate in the school meals program will be charged, per meal, and will need to have funds added to their food service program account.

- Funds can be added to student accounts online at any time at: www.myschoolbucks.com
- In addition, funds can be added to student accounts, by check, in each school cafeteria during the school year. Checks should be payable to Granby Public Schools.

Enjoy your summer and please feel free to call with any questions. We are here to help!

Sincerely,

Anna Robbins

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