



MORE THAN A MEAL

PERKS AND FREE STUFF FOR HS STUDENTS

Did you know that applying for the Meal Program has other perks?



SCHOOL FUNDING

Schools get 20% more funding to help improve services for students

SCHOOL MEALS

A healthy, delicious breakfast and lunch each day at school for free

WAIVED COLLEGE APPLICATION FEES

Free college applications at participating colleges & universities including all CSU and UC (Regularly \$70 to \$80 each)

INTERNET ACCESS & UTILITY BILLS

Discounts/credits for home internet service, devices (i.e. laptop), and utility bills with AT&T, Southern California Edison (SCE), & others

FREE OR REDUCED AP, SAT, PSAT, ACT TESTING FEES

- FREE SAT & ACT TESTS (Regularly \$68)
- FREE 11th Grade PSAT (Regularly \$18)
- FREE unlimited sending of SAT scores to colleges (Regularly \$12 each)
- \$33 AP Testing (REG. \$94 PER AP TEST)

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BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2021**

Other automatic perks such as increased pandemic funding and additional EBT cards if you apply for this program.

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) - Pg 1

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The District and my school announced meals are free to all students for the 2021-22 school year. Why do I need to complete a FJUHS Household Information Application form?

While it is true all students will receive a free meal (breakfast and lunch) during the 2021-22 school year, officially enrolled students may receive other benefits such as reduced costs for home internet access, fee waivers for SAT/ACT exams and some College Applications, and fee reductions for AP Exams.

Who is eligible for the Free and Reduced Meal Program?

Please check the Income Eligibility scale to see if you meet the income thresholds. You can find the scale here: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/nu/rs/scales2021.asp> or from the www.fjuhsdfoodservices.org website.

Is the application different for 2021-2022?

The application form will be changed and simplified for the 2021-2022 school year. The new form is called the FJUHS Household Information Application. It is a more universal form to be used for Free and Reduced Meals, and NSLP, which will help you get all these other benefits.

Is the Free and Reduced Lunch Program the same thing as the National School Lunch Program (NSLP)?

Students who are part of the Free and Reduced Lunch Program at FJUHS are automatically enrolled and qualify for the federal National School Lunch Program (NSLP). NSLP provides many benefits and reduced fees outside of free meals.

What is the AP Testing Fee Reduction?

The College Board provides a \$33 fee reduction per AP Exam for eligible students with financial need and those who qualify for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). More info: <https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/exam-administration-ordering-scores/ordering-fees/exam-fees/reductions>

How are internet access and utility bill discounts connected to the Free and Reduced lunch application program?

Companies such as AT&T offer reduced rate home internet service for families who qualify for the Free and Reduced lunch program and NSLP (National School Lunch Program). See the section about Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) for details.

How does the Free and Reduced lunch application program affect school funding?

The school district receives up to 20% more funding per student who applies and qualifies for this program, has a low income threshold, is learning English, or in foster care. Districts receive additional funding to support all schools and increase/improve services for all students. By completing the free and reduced lunch application, it ensures your school receives all available Federal, State, and local funding.

Did you say "fee waivers for SAT/PSAT?"

Sure did! SAT fee waivers are available to low-income 11th and 12th grade students in the U.S. or U.S. territories. U.S. citizens living outside the U.S. may be able to have test fees waived. SAT Subject Test fee waivers are available for students in Grades 9-12.

You're eligible for fee waivers if you say "yes" to any of these items:

- You're enrolled in or eligible to participate in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP).
- Your annual family income falls within the Income Eligibility Guidelines set by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service.
- You're enrolled in a federal, state, or local program that aids students from low-income families (e.g., Federal TRIO programs such as Upward Bound).
- Your family receives public assistance.
- You live in federally subsidized public housing or a foster home, or are homeless.
- You are a ward of the state or an orphan.

More information on SAT Fee waivers:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/fees/fee-waivers>

Visit the College Board SAT Fee waiver application: :

https://signup.collegeboard.org/accept-sat/?SFMC_cid=EM209175-&rid=124704034

Can I fill the form out online?

Yes, simply complete the FJUHS Household Information Form online. www.fjuhsdfoodservices.org

Submit paper forms to (by mail or dropoff):

Fullerton Joint Union High School District
Attn: Food Services
1051 W. Bastanchury Rd., Fullerton, CA 92833

Form Completion Tips to expedite form approvals:

- Use BLACK or BLUE ink. Print clearly.
- Use your student's name as it appears on their birth certificate
- List all other household members
- SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED
- Foster Child may be completed on a separate form. However, new regulations state that foster children may be included in the household form as part of the household size.



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Can you expand more on fee waivers?

The College Board fee-waiver service assists eligible students who plan to take the SAT/SAT Subject Tests/PSAT/NMSQT/AP Exams. A student must be either enrolled in or eligible for the Free and Reduced lunch program to receive a fee waiver. Contact your school counselor for more information.

The following are some benefits of fee waivers:

- Take the SAT for free - You can take the SAT two times for free and six SAT Subject Tests for free
- Avoid Late Fees - No late registration fees for SAT/SAT Subjects
- Waived College Application Fees - Your fee waiver benefits grant waived application fees at participating colleges
- Free non-regional tests (if you're a U.S. student testing abroad)
- Unlimited Score Sends - You can send your scores to as many colleges as you choose for free with your fee waivers
- Waived Financial Aid Applications - Free CSS Profile™ applications to apply for financial aid from participating schools.
- Earn College Board Opportunity Scholarships - Class of 2022 can earn up to \$40,000 with our new scholarships, and more than half of those awarded will be for fee waiver eligible students.

Is there a P-EBT benefit?

Students who are part of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) automatically received additional P-EBT cards and funding. Visit <https://ca.p-ebt.org/> to find resources for eligible families.

P-EBT 2.0 Debit Card from State of California. Students who are qualified for free and reduced priced meals for 2020-21 may receive P-EBT debit cards from the State of California. Debit cards may be used to purchase food from restaurants or grocery stores.

Link: www.cdss.ca.gov/home/pandemic-ebt

Do I still need to fill out a form if I qualify for other benefits?

No. If you are currently receiving benefits from CalFresh (formerly known as food stamps), CalWORKS, KinGAP or FDIPIR benefits and your information has not changed, your child/you automatically qualify.

What are the SCE benefits?

Southern California Edison (SCE) offers discounted monthly bills through the CARE program.

- Find more information here: sce.com/residential/assistance/care-fera
- California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) reduces energy bills for eligible customers by about 30%. Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) reduces electric bills for qualified households by 18%.
- Other California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE):
<https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/lowincomerates/#:~:text=California%20Alternate%20Rates%20for%20Energy,on%20their%20natural%20gas%20bill>

How do I get the Free 11th grade PSAT?

Contact your high school counselor. Submit your FJUHS Household Information Application form, and contact your counselor to submit a free waiver for you.

What is the Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) for internet credits during the pandemic?

Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) is a new temporary Federal program that provides eligible families with funds to pay for internet service during the pandemic. Households with a child who is approved for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) are eligible.

- Find a broadband provider that offers the Emergency Broadband Benefit here: www.getemergencybroadband.org/companies-near-me/
- AT&T: www.att.com/help/ebb/

The EBB Program provides a monthly discount of not more than \$50 per month on broadband service and associated equipment (for example, a modem) for eligible households and not more than \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. If the participating household chooses an eligible plan that costs \$50/month or less, the household will receive that service for free, at least until the EBB Program ends.

Each participating household may also be reimbursed up to \$100 for one connected device—a laptop, desktop, or tablet computer—where available from a participating broadband provider, as long as the household contributes more than \$10 and less than \$50 towards the cost of the device. Each participating household is limited to a single device discount.

How to apply: Fill out an application (either online, by mail, or through a participating service provider), and submit your NSLP or Free and Reduced Meal eligibility verification letter ready from your counselor or FJUHS Food Services. If you have questions about the EBB Program, your eligibility to participate, or to find information about participating providers near you, please visit GetEmergencyBroadband.org, call 833-511-0311, or email EBBHelp@usac.org.

How do I find out more about College Application Fee Waivers?

The CSU and UC application fee waivers are a separate system, and the FJUHS cannot answer direct questions regarding these waivers. More info: www2.calstate.edu/apply/paying-for-college/Pages/fee-waiver.asp

Use a CSS Profile to apply for financial aid to over 400 colleges and universities. You will receive a fee waiver for this CSS Profile if you are part of the NSLP or Free and Reduced meal program. More info: <https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/pdf/css-profile-fee-waivers.pdf>

How often do I need to complete the application?

A new application must be completed every school year by each family. Applications will be accepted starting July 1, 2021.

How do I receive my eligibility letter from the District?

A copy of your eligibility letter will be accessible in your school Aeries/Titan portal. Titan is your food/nutrition online portal that is part of your school. If you have questions, please contact FJUHS Food Services.

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