



## PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH OPEN TO ALL FAMILIES THROUGH 24-25

The Woodside Elementary School District (WESD) announces its policy to serve nutritious lunches every school day for the 2024-25 school year under the National School Lunch Program. Eligible students enrolled in WESD may receive free and reduced-price lunches. ALL meals during the 24/25 school year are currently open to any child 18 years of age or younger regardless of their district eligibility. WESD is an equal opportunity provider.

Children from households whose income is at or below the amounts shown in the tables below are eligible for free or reduced -price meals. "Household" means a group of related or related individuals who are living as one economic unit and sharing living expenses that include rent, utilities, clothing, food and doctor bills.

Children from households receiving assistance under the CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR will be provided free benefits unless the household notifies the Woodside Elementary School district that it chooses to decline the benefits. Households that receive WIC benefits, may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals by filling out an application.

Children who meet the definition of foster, homeless, migrant, or runaway are eligible for free meals. A foster care child who is the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or a ward of the court may be eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals regardless of household income. Foster children must apply separately from other children in the household, and their eligibility will be based upon their "personal use" income.

Households may apply at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now, but your household income goes down, household size goes up, or a household member starts receiving CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR, you may apply at that time. Household information given will be used to determine eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school officials. The last four digits of the Social Security number from any adult household must be included and is required if you include income.

If you do not agree with the decision or results of verification, you may discuss it with school officials. You also have the right to a fair hearing, which may be requested by calling or wring to the hearing official: Chief Business Officer, WESD 3195 Woodside Rd. Woodside, CA 94062

For continuing students, your child's eligibility Status from last school year will continue into the new school year for up to 30 school days or until the school processes your new application, or your child is otherwise certified for free or reduced-price meals. After the 30 school days, your child will have to pay full price for meals, unless the household receives a notification letter for free or reduced-price meals. School officials do not have to send reminder or expired eligibility notices:

If you have any questions about the Woodside Elementary School District's Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Program, please call the District Office at (650)851-1571ext 4030, email: llazzari@woodsideschool.us, or inquire at the District Office 3195 Woodside Rd. Woodside, CA 94062.