YPS Families -

Schools nationwide are transitioning back to the traditional school meals programs beginning in school year 2022-23. What does this mean for you? School meals will be offered at Free or Reduced-price to those eligible based on the meal benefit determination made on a 2022-23 school meals application, or by Direct Certification matches made with Nebraska DHHS data for SNAP, Medicaid, Foster, Migrant, and Homeless database information.

Students in households that do not qualify for Free or Reduced-price meals based on household size and income and are not matched in the Direct Certification system will pay the Paid meal price (Breakfast \$1.50; Lunch at YES \$3.10 and at YHS & YMS \$3.20) for the meals they are provided at school. A la carte items will continue to be charged to student accounts as they have always been.

In order to ensure your student(s) is/are able to receive Free or Reduced-price meal benefits if eligible, please complete and submit to York Public Schools, 1715 N Delaware Avenue, York, NE 68467 a complete 2022-23 meal application. This application will be available in the August newsletter, in all of the schools and the district office, and at yorkpublic.org.

Completing the Free or Reduced application is important to ensure you will receive P-EBT benefits. The application is also important for students at YHS that are near their graduation date. There are multiple scholarships available for students that qualify for free or reduced meals. Even if your student leaves the YHS campus for lunch (juniors and seniors), it's important you fill out the application.

Sincerely,

Mitch Bartholomew – Superintendent York Public Schools