

MILK and FREE LUNCH INFORMATION

Community Consolidated School District #62 announced its policy for free lunches and milk for those students unable to pay under the Illinois Free Lunch and Special Milk Programs. Children from households that meet federal guidelines are eligible for free lunch and milk.

Application forms are sent in July to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To receive free lunches and milk for your child, each family must complete an application and return it to the school. Incomplete applications cannot be processed or approved. Only one application per household is needed. Applications for free lunch must be renewed each year.

The required information is as follows:

Food Stamp/TANF households: Households that currently receive food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) for their children, only have to list each child's name and food stamp or TANF case number and sign the application. Link card numbers cannot be used.

Other households: If a household's income is at or below the level shown on the income scale, children are eligible for free lunch and milk. Households must provide the following information:

- the names of all household members;
- the social security number of the adult household member signing the application, or the word “none” if the adult does not have a social security number;
- the amount of income each household member received last month, how often, and where it came from (wages, child support, etc.); and
- the signature of an adult household member.

Verification: School officials may verify the information on the application at any time during the school year.

Fair Hearing: You may speak with school officials if you do not agree with the decision on your application or with the results of verification. You also may ask for a fair hearing. If you wish to request a hearing you must do so in writing and send your request to: Susan Shepard, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, Community Consolidated School District #62, 777 E. Algonquin Rd., Des Plaines, IL 60016-6281.

Confidentiality: Information submitted on your application is only used by school officials to determine if your child(ren) qualify for free lunch/milk. The signature of the child's parent or legal guardian is required on the application to allow school officials to determine eligibility for other services.

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