

Good afternoon -

Ledyard Public Schools has obtained a waiver and USDA funding to provide meals **free of charge to all students 18 years of age or under and those in our LTA program**. This program will run until December 31st or until funding runs out. This includes meals served in our schools (a hot and cold option will be provided) as well as those available for pickup (cold option only). Pickup meals are available at no charge to anyone 18 or under, not just those enrolled in Ledyard Public Schools.

STARTING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th:

K-8 Students in school will be able to receive free meals and **MUST** pre order either the hot or cold option on the menu. We require pre order so that parents and guardians can maintain control over dietary choices and to help minimize food waste. LHS students do not have to pre-order.

- [This link](#) must be used to pre-order, and can also be found on www.ledyard.net. We will post the following month's menu during the third week of each month, and ask that you complete each student's pre-order form prior to the end of the month.
- Menus can be found at www.ledyard.net under Food Service
- Beyond the standard school meal, A la carte options will be available at LHS for additional cost.

Meals for children not in school can be picked up Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at either LHS or LMS between 8AM and 10AM. These meals are available for any school-age student and are not limited to students attending Ledyard Public Schools. Two breakfasts and two lunches can be picked up on Monday and Wednesday, three for each child on Fridays, in order to provide meals for each day of the week.

- Pickup locations, 8AM-10AM Monday, Wednesday and Friday are:
 - Ledyard High School front entry
 - Ledyard Middle School south parking lot alongside the cafeteria
- Pickup meals do not need to be preordered, and are available at either location, regardless of school enrollment or address.

We are glad to be able to meet the needs of students during these times with approval to run this program. Due to the finite time that it will be available, we urge families to submit updated free and reduced meal applications. The application will be valid through the end of the school year, and also provides access to other helpful programs as identified on the Addendum A in the application. Applications are confidential, and instructions for applying can be found at www.ledyard.net under Food Service.