

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We want to inform you of a potential upcoming change regarding school meals. Due to the State of Michigan not yet passing a budget, Anchor Bay Schools may be forced to end the Universal Free Breakfast and Lunch Program on October 31, 2025.

We hope a state budget will be approved before this date, which will clarify whether free meals can continue for all students. If a budget is not released by the October 31st deadline, or if it is released without extending the Free Meals Program, Anchor Bay Schools will have to end free meals for all students. If this occurs, starting November 1, 2025, families will be required to:

- Complete a **NEW** Free & Reduced Meals application to determine eligibility, or
- Pay for meals at the regular daily rate if they do not qualify (pricing to be determined).

Detailed instructions regarding the new application, updated procedures, and pricing will be provided in October if guidance from the state budget is not available by then.

We understand this potential change may cause concern, and we are committed to supporting our families through the transition. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the Food Service Department at **586-598-7663**.