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## 2021-2022 FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM

Applications for the 2021-2022 Free and Reduced Lunch Program are now available on the school website – <u>www.mountainsideschools.org</u> by clicking Services/Cafeteria Food Services/Free & Reduced Lunch Application. If you do not have access to a computer or printer, an application may be obtained from the Board of Education office.

If you wish to apply, please complete the form and return it to the Board Office at 1497 Woodacres Drive, Mountainside, NJ 07092 attention Debbie Hausheer **NO LATER THAN September 16<sup>th</sup>** in order to be eligible for the 2021-2022 Program starting on Tuesday, October 1st. You will be notified of your status no later than September 27<sup>th</sup>. Only one form per family is needed. This form DOES NOT APPLY to children attending high school. They will receive a form from their school.

If you qualified for free/reduced lunch last year your child(ren) attending Beechwood or Deerfield automatically receive the same benefit <u>for the month of</u> <u>September only.</u> A new application is required in order for your child(ren) to continue to receive P-EBT benefits and for the district to receive state funding. The District is again participating in the SSO program which provides free meals to all students, however, failure to file an application by September 17<sup>th</sup> will result loss of P-EBT benefits and loss of state funding for the district.

If you have any questions, you can call 908-232-3232 ext. 104 or email Debbie Hausheer at <u>dhausheer@mountainsideschools.org</u>. All information provided to the school is confidential.

\*PLEASE NOTE: If you received a letter from the school notifying you that you automatically qualify for free meals through the SNAP/TANF Direct Certification Program, YOU DO NOT NEED TO FILE AN APPLICATION.