



# KEARNY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the 2019/2020 school year in the Kearny Public Schools! In the interest of providing lunch-time supervision for our students during the school day, please review the following guidelines and procedures listed below:

- ✓ **GRADES K – 6** – Students are expected to have lunch in school under the supervision of Board of Education staff, unless the principal receives a note requesting permission for them to have lunch **AT HOME** under the supervision of a parent/guardian.
- ✓ **GRADES 7 & 8** – Students in grade 7 are expected to have lunch in school under the supervision of Board of Education staff, unless the principal receives a note requesting permission for them to have lunch **AT HOME** under the supervision of a parent/guardian. Students in grade 8 may choose to have lunch outside of school (**Monday through Thursday**) in accordance with district/school guidelines.

Finally, we participate in the federally-sponsored school lunch program, offering a balanced meal at a reasonable price. The following information will assist you regarding the **Free and Reduced Lunch** program:

### ***Information and instructions regarding Free and Reduced meal applications:***

- Unless you have recently received a letter stating your child(ren) are directly certified for free lunch benefits, a family application must be completed every year.
- During the first few weeks in September, your child(ren) will continue to receive the same benefits they were entitled to in June, 2019 if they were enrolled in the Kearny Public Schools. However, if a new application is not submitted by you for the 2019/2020 school year, the benefits will terminate on **October 11, 2019**.
- You may apply online by signing in to the Parent Portal on the district website (<http://parent.kearnyschools.com>). Go to the **“forms”** tab > **“meal application”** > **apply** > **accept and continue**.
- You may also download a printable application; bring the completed application to the Board of Education office at 172 Midland Avenue.
- Only one (1) application **PER FAMILY** is required.
- Forms and information are available on the district website – click on the **APPLE** (School Food Resources) on the right-hand side of the page.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

PATRICIA BLOOD, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS