



Public Charter High School

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Thurgood Marshall Academy Public Charter High School serve meals each school day. Students may buy lunch for **\$2.75** and breakfast for **\$1.75**. Students may also get meals free or at a reduced price. All meals served must meet patterns established by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. However, if a child has been determined by a doctor to be disabled and the disability would prevent the child from eating the regular school meal, this school will make any substitutions prescribed by the doctor. If a substitution is needed, there will be no extra charge for the meal. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information.

If you now get **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly the Food Stamp Program** or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) for your child, your child can get free meals. If your total household income is the same or less than the amounts on the Income Chart below, your child can get free meals or reduced meals. A foster child may get free or reduced price meals regardless of your income. The reduced price is **\$0.40** for lunch and **\$0.30** for breakfast.

TO GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS FOR YOUR CHILD, YOU MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION AND RETURN IT TO THE SCHOOL; WE CANNOT APPROVE AN APPLICATION THAT IS NOT COMPLETE.

If you now get **SNAP** or TANF for the child you are applying for, the application must have the child's name, a **SNAP** or TANF case number for the child, and the signature of an adult household member. If you are applying for a foster child, the application must have the child's name, the child's personal use income, and an adult signature. If you do not list a **SNAP** or TANF case number for the child you are applying for, then the application must have the child's name, the names of all household members, the amount of income each person got last month and where it came from, the signature of an adult household member and that adult's social security number or the word "none" if the adult does not have a social security number. (Please do not use the chart below to calculate your pay).

Size	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$20,036	\$1,670	\$ 386
2	26,955	2,247	519
3	33,874	2,823	652
4	40,793	3,400	785
5	47,712	3,976	918
6	54,631	4,553	1,051
7	61,550	5,130	1,184
8	68,919	5,706	1,317
For each additional Family member add:	+\$6,919	+\$557	+\$134

Verification: Your eligibility may be checked at anytime during the school year. School officials may ask you to send papers showing that your child should get free or reduced price meals.

Fair Hearing: You may talk to school officials if you do not agree with the school's decision on your application or the results of verification. You also may ask for a fair hearing. You may do this by calling or writing

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Confidentiality: School officials use the information on the application only to decide if your child should get free or reduced price meals in the National School Lunch/Breakfast Program. If your child is also in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) at this school, and you answer "yes" to the wavier question on page 2 of the application, then the information on the application will also be released to CACFP officials.

Reapplication: You may apply for meals anytime during the school year. If you are not eligible now but have a change, like a decrease in household income, an increase in household size, become unemployed or get **SNAP** or TANF for your child, complete an application. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

To file a complaint alleging discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call, toll free, (866) 632-9992 (Voice). TDD users can contact USDA through local relay or the Federal Relay at (800) 877-8339 (TDD) or (866) 377-8642 (relay voice users). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Also, the District of Columbia Human Rights Act approved December 13, 1977 (DC Law 2-38; DC Official Code §2-1402.11(2006), as amended) States the following:

Pertinent section of DC Code § 2-1402.11:

It shall be an unlawful discriminatory practice to do any of the following acts, wholly or partially for a discriminatory reason based upon the actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibilities, genetic information, disability, matriculation, or political affiliation of any individual. To file a complaint alleging discrimination on one of these bases, please contact the District of Columbia's Office of Human Rights at (202) 727-3545.

Sincerely,



Nora Moore
Operations Manager