

PUBLIC RELEASE
FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE SCHOOL MEALS

St. Regis Public Schools announces the 2009-10 policy for Free and Reduced-Price School Meals for students whose schools participate in the U.S. Department of Agriculture **National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program**. The complete policy is on file in the central office and may be reviewed by any interested party.

Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown in the following chart may be eligible for free or reduced-price school meals.

FEDERAL INCOME CHART For School Year 2009-10						
Household Size	Annual	Free			Reduced Price	
		Monthly	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1	14,079	1,174	271	20,036	1,670	386
2	18,941	1,579	365	26,955	2,247	519
3	23,803	1,984	458	33,874	2,823	652
4	28,665	2,389	552	40,793	3,400	785
5	33,527	2,794	645	47,712	3,976	918
6	38,389	3,200	739	54,631	4,553	1,051
7	43,251	3,605	832	61,550	5,130	1,184
8	48,113	4,010	920	68,469	5,706	1,317
Each Additional Person	4,862	406	94	6,919	577	134

Application forms will be sent to each home with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced-price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. If a household is eligible for SNAP (formerly Food Stamps), the household will receive a Direct Certification letter from the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services in the mail. **This letter may be used in place of the school meals application.**

Applications may be submitted at any time during the year. Households will be notified of eligibility determination. At any time during the school year, program officials may verify an application. Households dissatisfied with the ruling of the officials have the right to a fair hearing. This may be done by calling or writing to:

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