May News from Nutrition Services:

Breakfast and Lunch for each student continue to be FREE through the end of the 2020-2021 school year! This include all current students and children under the age of 18 who live in Raymond.

Students still to go through the lunch lines, but no charge for the meal is added to their accounts. Likewise, no charges will appear for a breakfast taken each day. This is all thanks to an extension of the waiver issued by the USDA to all schools nationwide. Families are encouraged to take full advantage of this convenient, delicious and cost effective opportunity!

***Free meals still apply to both in school and remote meals ***

Milk only, extras, 2nd lunches and other a la carte purchase continue to require a student to have funds available in their account. These items may not be charged. Please keep in mind that due to safe health practices, we cannot process cash in the lunch lines.

REMOTE MEALS -BOTH BREAKFAST AND LUNCH TO GO!

Each month, Remote Meals menus are published to provide a variety of tasty and nutritious meals. For easy access to ordering our Remote meals, here is the link:

https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/prdembd?ref=ZZH52ZHXKK082DN_ZZ2N0LD8US7PIEO

Pre ordering is <u>required</u> if you wish to pick up meals for remote days for your student.

Each week's Fully Remote meals are split between 2 PICK UP DAYS

In response to concerns from parents that 5 days' worth of meals is a lot to handle and store at once, we now provide our program divided into 2 separated pick up/ delivery days each week.

The first pick up/ delivery day of the week is Monday. On this day, 2 days of meals

(2 Breakfast, 2 Lunches) will be available.

The second pick up/ delivery day will become Wednesday. On this day, 3 sets of meals

(3 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches) will be available.

This routine also coordinates better with the production of meals for in school students, as well as increasing the freshness of the meals that are sent out. Please read through the Online ordering instructions carefully and be sure to order for both days if you wish to receive all of the meals for a given week.

NEW Order deadline:

The cut off for ordering Remote meals is now WEDNESDAY morning by 7:30 AM for the following week. Meals ordered after this time will NOT be available for pick up the next week.

The time window for picking up meals is 11:00 AM until Noon on Monday and Wednesday. at the Raymond High School kitchen entrance. Please be sure that you do come during that time as this window is scheduled around High School lunches.

BUS DELIVERY is no longer available, as the buses are back on full schedules with students!

If for any reason you are unable to pick up your meals, please contact us. The district cannot receive reimbursement for meals that are ordered and not picked up. This also creates food cost and waste for the Raymond Schools.

Please contact Judy DiNatale, Nutrition Service Director at 603-895-6616 x2345 if you have any questions.

Please continue to reapply for Free or Reduced Price Meals if you might qualify. Even though meals are free, it still has benefits to your household and to our district.

REASONS TO APPLY FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS ELIGIBILITY, EVEN WHILE MEALS ARE CURRENTLY FREE.

Applications may be processed right up to the last week of school!

- ~ Free or Reduced eligibility confirmation letters are often used as a means of determining a discount for camps and non-school program fees. They have to be from the current school year.
- ~They also are used to get HS students waivers of fees for SAT's, waivers or reduced fees on many College applications and other entrance exams. Again, the current school year is required.
- ~The current year letters are proof for eligibility of Comcast Essentials, a discounted household internet access plan. The link is: https://www.internetessentials.com/ Currently, they are offering the first 2 months free if set up before December 31, 2020. After that, you may need that Free & Reduced eligibility letter.
- ~Free and Reduced eligibility population information is used by the State and Federal government in some funding allocations and grant eligibility. LEAP and Title 1 are the two most widely recognized examples of this.

ONLINE APPLICATION FOR FREE & REDUCED MEALS MAKES IT EASIER THAN EVER TO APPLY!

If you received your 2020-2021 application for Free & Reduced price meals but have not yet submitted it, there is now a faster, easier option. MySchoolApps, is another offering from the same company that provides us with MySchoolBucks for online payments and meal ordering.

MySchoolApps asks for the same information as the paper application, in an easy to follow and fill in format. It also is set up so that you must fill in all required fields, so that no one accidently submits an incomplete application delaying eligibility determination.

Please visit the following link, and contact Judy DiNatale, Nutrition Service Director at 603-895-6616 x2345 if you have any questions.

https://www.myschoolapps.com/Home/DistrictRedirect/RAYMOND_NH?langid=1