

# DEVILS LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

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## **PARENT & MEDIA RELEASE**

**WHAT:** All Devils Lake Public School Students to receive FREE Breakfast and Lunch

**WHEN:** Wednesday, September 2nd, 2020 - December 31st, 2020 as funding allows

### **DETAILS:**

Devils Lake Public Schools is pleased to announce that every currently enrolled student will receive FREE breakfast and lunch to start the upcoming school year. Extra entrees, milks, beverages, and ala carte items will be charged to the individual student accounts. This only includes all currently enrolled students, no matter their income level or if they are in the classroom, distance learning or virtual learning. Students distance learning or virtual learning may pick up meals at their individual school buildings. Please contact your school building for information on meal pick up procedures.

The free meals come via funding from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), as the country continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. It is an extension of the USDA Summer Food Service Program. Free meals will last as late as December 31, 2020 or until available federal funding runs out.

Devils Lake Public Schools will continue to track when students eat breakfast or lunch. Students will log their meals using their student lunch account numbers as normal. Current funds in a student account can remain on their account until charges resume. Families are still encouraged to fill out forms for the Free & Reduced Meal Program, as these free meals are temporary.

It is the goal of Devils Lake Public Schools to ensure that all students have access to meals during the school year. School meals are essential to student health and well-being and ensure that students have the nutrition they need throughout the day to learn.

For more information on the USDA free meal extension, please visit the [USDA website](#).