



## Hot Lunch Program



October 2020

Dear Saint Ferdinand families,

The Illinois State Board of Education in partnership with the Food Service Professionals will be providing FREE lunch for all of our students for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. This is certainly a wonderful blessing for every family and one less thing to worry about; what will my child eat for lunch.

Typically, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) requires families to complete an application for free or reduced lunches. This application is not necessary this year for meals during the school year however, it will be necessary for children to continue to receive free or reduced meals if they are in a summer program. In addition, the application process will allow students to be preapproved for the fall of 2021 as the school year begins.

I am sending home applications with your child so that you can fill them out and return them as soon as possible. One application per family. We ask that every family complete and submit the application. I realize not every family will qualify, but this helps us insure that every family has the same opportunity to apply.

Please complete and return the application on or before Wednesday, November 4, 2020.

If your child did not receive an application that means they have already been approved and it is not necessary to apply again.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to email me at [stferdinand@fspro.com](mailto:stferdinand@fspro.com) which is best to do, or you call me at 773-622-3022 ask for Mary in the kitchen. Keep in mind that while serving lunch I am not available to answer the phone. Calling between 8:15 and 10:15 is a good time to call if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Mary Clemente