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# **News Release**

# USDA extends free meals for all children this fall

# Students can receive meals regardless of their eligibility

DENVER - All children will be able to receive nutritious meals at no charge this fall at participating school sites regardless of their eligibility status.

Normally, during the school year, students receive free or reduced priced meals if they qualify based on household income or other eligibility categories.

However, on Monday, the U.S. Department of Agriculture extended the option for child nutrition program sponsors to operate the <u>Summer Food Service Program</u> and Seamless Summer Option through as late as Dec. 31, 2020, dependent on available funding. This allows schools to offer nutritious meals to all children at no charge this fall.

For more information, visit the <u>CDE School Nutrition webpage</u> or contact summermealprogram@cde.state.co.us.

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# MEAL SERVICE FOR REMOTE/ONLINE LEARNERS: Effective 9/1/2020

Meals will be available at all schools within the District for curbside pick-up.

# • Gateway Elementary School:

o <u>Location</u>: Bus Loop

<u>Dates</u>: Fridays, starting 8/28 <u>Times</u>: 2:00 - 2:30 pm (meals for 5 days)

### • Columbine Elementary School:

o <u>Location</u>: Back Cafeteria Doors

o <u>Dates</u>: Fridays, starting 8/28 <u>Times</u>: 1:30 - 2:00 pm (meals for 5 days)

## Summit Elementary School:

Location: Parent Drop-off Loop

<u>Dates</u>: Fridays, starting 8/28 <u>Times</u>: 2:00 - 2:30 pm (meals for 5 days)

#### • WP Middle School:

Location: Patio outside of the Commons

o <u>Dates</u>: Fridays, starting 8/28 <u>Times</u>: 1:00 - 1:30 pm (meals for 5 days)

#### • WP High School:

o <u>Location</u>: Sidewalk in front of the Panther (Commons) Entrance

o <u>Dates</u>: Fridays, starting 8/28 <u>Times</u>: 1:00 - 1:30 pm (meals for 5 days)