

# Free School Meals Eligibility

Are you eligible to receive a free meal for your child?

To register the parent/carer claiming the qualifying benefit should complete the boxes below using **black ink and in BLOCK CAPITALS**.

You will also need to provide an up to date Proof of Benefit letter from the Benefit Agency.

You can contact them on 0345 608 8545. (The letter should be dated no earlier than 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016)

Please return this form and the Proof of Benefit letter to the Attendance Office.

If you are a young person under 18 who is either in foster care, a looked after child or receiving Income Support in your own right, can you please complete this form in your name.

Student Name:	
Student College ID Number:	

Parent/Carer Name:	
Parent/Carer Email address:	
Parent/Carer Contact Number:	

Parent/Carer Date of Birth: DD/MM/YYYY			/			/			
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Parent/Carer National Insurance Number									
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OR National Asylum Seeker Support Reference Number (NASS)

For eligibility criteria please see overleaf

**PARENT/ CARER DECLARATION:**

**I can confirm that the information given in this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the College has the right to share the information and evidence with the appropriate Government agencies if deemed appropriate. I understand that I am responsible for informing the College immediately if I stop receiving one of the qualifying benefits.**

By signing this form I am confirming that I have read and fully understood the above declaration.

Signed:.....

Date:.....

**Eligibility Criteria for Free School Meals:**

Children who receive Income Support in their own right may also be eligible to receive free meals.

Parent/Carer(s) do not have to pay for meals if they receive any of the following:

- Equal Based Jobseeker's Allowance / Employment and Support Allowance.
- Income Support (IS)
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income ( as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190  
**N.B.** If you receive WORKING TAX CREDIT you do not qualify even if you receive child tax credit and your income is below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' – the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- Universal Credit