



*Devine Independent School District*

605 W. Hondo Ave., Devine, Texas 78016

(830) 851-0795

## Free / Reduced Meal Applications

Dear Parent/Guardian,

August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Welcome back to another great school year at Devine ISD, and thank you for supporting our child nutrition program! We look forward to many great activities this year as well as lots of yummy food.

As part of your “Welcome Back” packet you have received a “**Free / Reduced Meal Application**”; you have three different options on how to complete this form:

1. **ON-LINE**: You may fill the form out on-line at [www.heartlandapps.com](http://www.heartlandapps.com) This is the preferred method of completion because the results of the application get back to you MUCH faster. It also corrects any mistakes as you go, so there is no opportunity for errors.
2. **PAPER**: If you choose to fill out the paper application please make sure you do so in a timely manner and return it to the school (campus office, teacher, or child nutrition office) as soon as possible. This method takes about 10 days to process if there are no errors.
3. **REFUSAL**: You always reserve the right to refuse to complete the form. Please note; even if you believe you will not qualify for free/reduced meals, or you do not want to take advantage of the program, Devine Independent School District benefits in many ways from the completion of the form. The economic statistics from the form help to fund MANY academic programs. So please, consider completing the form.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR STUDENT(S) HAVE MONEY THE FIRST FEW DAYS OF SCHOOL.

IF YOU GET APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS AFTER THE SCHOOL YEAR HAS STARTED, **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY NEGATIVE CHARGES YOUR STUDENT(S) HAS.**

YOUR STUDENT’S MEAL STATUS WILL CARRY OVER INTO THIS SCHOOL YEAR FOR THE FIRST 30 “SCHOOL” DAYS AT WHICH POINT, IF YOU HAVE NOT FILLED OUT ANOTHER MEAL APPLICATION THEY WILL DEFAULT TO “PAID” STATUS.  
**THAT DATE IS OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup> 2017.**

For any questions or assistance please call:  
Corinne Stacy, Child Nutrition Administrative Specialist, (830) 851-0412  
Maisie Goodman, General Manager of Foodservice (830) 851-0413