



Free School Meals

Is your child eligible?

You should apply if you are receiving any of the following:

- Income support
- Income-based jobseeker's allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- National asylum seeker support
- Child tax credit (provided you're not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Working tax credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for working tax credit.

PLEASE apply *even if*:

- your child does not want to eat school meals
- your child already receives universal infant free school meals because they are in Year 2 or below.

Applying for FREE SCHOOL MEALS ensures that the school receives all the government funding (pupil premium) needed to help support your child; it is used for additional staffing and resources, school uniform vouchers, subsidised trips and clubs, and so on.

How to apply for free school meals

- Apply online - <https://freeschoolmeals.leicester.gov.uk/>
- Or ring **0116 454 1009**. Make sure you have your national insurance number when you call.