

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Lubavitcher Yeshiva Academy is pleased to announce our participation in the National School Lunch Program. Meals meet nutritional standards set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Our school will participate in the National School Lunch Program, and/or Special Milk Program.

If your income is less than or equal to the following guidelines you are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. These guidelines are effective *July 1, 2016* through *June 30, 2017*. If you have children who are approved for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) formerly known as Food Stamps, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Native Family Assistance Program (NFAP), they are automatically able to receive free meals by filing an application that includes their assistance number from one of those programs. Students who are migrant, homeless, or runaways are automatically eligible and do not need to fill out an application. Foster children receive free meals regardless of the income of the household with which they reside. Note: Medicaid and Denali Kid Care case numbers do not qualify for eligibility.

Income Eligibility Guidelines FY2016-2017

Reduced Price Meals – 185% of Federal Poverty						Free Meals – 130 % of Federal Poverty				
Guidelines						Guidelines				
Househol d	Annua	Manalal	Twice	Every Two	Weekl	Annua	Monthl	Twice	Every Two	Weekly
Size	Annua l	Monthl y	per Month	Weeks	y	l	y	per Month	Weeks	vveekiy
1	27,454	2,288	1,144	1,056	528	19,292	1,608	804	742	371
2	37,037	3,087	1,544	1,425	713	26,026	2,169	1,085	1,001	501
3	46,620	3,885	1,943	1,794	897	32,760	2,730	1,365	1,260	630
4	56,203	4,684	2,342	2,162	1,081	39,494	3,292	1,646	1,519	760
5	65,786	5,483	2,742	2,531	1,266	46,228	3,853	1,927	1,778	889
6	75,369	6,281	3,141	2,899	1,450	52,962	4,414	2,207	2,037	1,019
7	84,952	7,080	3,540	3,268	1,634	59,696	4,975	2,488	2,296	1,148
8	94,572	7,881	3,941	3,638	1,819	66,456	5,538	2,769	2,556	1,278
For each additional family member add:										
	9,620	802	401	370	185	6,760	564	282	260	130

For more information, or to get an application for free or reduced-price school meals, contact us at: 413.567.8665 or info@lya.org.

We cannot approve your application unless it is complete. The information you give us on your application may be checked at any time. You may apply for free or reduced price meals at any time during the school year if your situation changes. If you become unemployed, your child(ren) may be able to have free or reduced priced meals based on your unemployment income. If we deny your free or reduced price meals application, we will give you a chance to appeal the decision.

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- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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