

EAST LONGMEADOW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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A Message From ELPS Food Services During the School Closure

The East Longmeadow Public School Food Service would like to notify families that a “grab-n-go” style breakfast and lunch is available in our adjacent community of Springfield. Any ELPS student, 18 or under, is eligible for these meals, and no identification, registration, or address is required. Service will be a “grab-n-go style” from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday until schools open and regular operation resumes.

Locations for the “grab-n-go” meals are at the following Springfield schools: Bowles Elementary School, Chestnut Middle School, Commerce High School, Dorman Elementary School, Glickman Elementary School, Indian Orchard Elementary School, Kensington Elementary School, Liberty Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, Rebecca Johnson Middle School, South End Middle School, Talmadge Elementary School, Warner Elementary School, and Washington Elementary School.

Each student will be given a lunch and a breakfast for the following day. **Please note that due to the nature of this meal service and product availability, they will not always be able to accommodate allergies. Parents/guardians assume responsibility for their child's allergies.** Please be assured Sodexo (Springfield Food Service) is taking every precaution to ensure the safety of staff, students, and families.

More details can be found on https://www.springfieldpublicschools.com/news/News/coronavirus_update

We encourage families to continue to be proactive in reducing the risk of COVID-19 by not congregating at the school site once meals have been distributed. Additionally, we continue to encourage everyone to wash hands often, cover your cough or sneeze, and stay home if you are sick.

To find other food resources, call Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333 or go to <https://meals4kids.org/summer>.

The Food Source Hotline counselors refer callers to food resources in their community as well as provides them with information about school meals (including in the event of school closures), elder meals programs, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as food stamps. The Hotline will continue to operate Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm and Saturdays 10am-2pm. The Hotline can provide information in 160 languages through our Language Line.

This is an ever-evolving situation, we will make changes based on the current information we receive and keep our East Longmeadow Public School families informed. We do realize that many children in our district rely on school meals so if there are any immediate concerns about providing meals for your children please contact lori.pahl@eastlongmeadowma.gov.