



**MORTON**  
**UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709**

Sept. 21, 2020

## **Morton free lunch program deadline is Friday, Sept. 25**

The deadline is approaching to sign up for free meals in October through Morton School District 709 and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Please do so by noon this coming Friday, **Sept. 25**.

*All Morton children ages 1 to 18* – not just Morton Schools students -- are eligible for the free lunch program, regardless of family income. For families with students attending school in person, there is no need to register, but all others must fill out a short form [here](#).

Families without children in school can pick up their weekly meals between 10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. on the first day of every school week – usually a Monday, unless it's a holiday -- at the Bertha Frank Performing Arts Center at Morton High School, 350 N. Illinois Ave.

For students attending District 709 schools, full regular meals are free. In addition, students bringing their own lunches to school are eligible for a free fruit, vegetable and milk as long as they opt for all three. The flyer explaining that part of the program is [here](#).

Families interested in participating must sign up for the program every month. Again, this coming Friday, Sept. 25, is the deadline for October. For November, the deadline is noon Friday, **Oct. 30**; for December, it's noon Friday, **Nov. 27**.

This USDA program is a carryover from the free lunch program instituted last spring in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, and will continue through the end of the 2020 calendar year.

Please direct any questions to Kristina Klein, operations supervisor at Arbor Management, which runs the Morton Schools food service program, at [kristina.klein@mcusd709.org](mailto:kristina.klein@mcusd709.org), or at 309-284-6320.

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