



MORTON
UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709

Oct. 25, 2020

Morton free meal program deadline is Friday, Oct. 30

The deadline is approaching to sign up for free meals in November through Morton School District 709 and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Please do so by noon this coming Friday, Oct. 30.

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 Mondays throughout November at the Bertha Frank Performing Arts Center at Morton High School, 350 N. Illinois Ave. In other months, pickup is scheduled on the first day of every school week, same times – usually a Monday, unless it's a holiday. Those meals now include breakfast and lunch.

Families interested in participating must sign up for the program every month. Again, this coming Friday, Oct. 30, is the deadline for November. 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 school year, which ends in June 2021.

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, or at 309-284-6320.

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