

Dec. 14, 2020

Free lunch program continues

Morton School District 709, in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is continuing its free meal program through the remainder of the school year.

All Morton children ages 1 to 18 – not just District 709 students -- are eligible for the program, regardless of family income.

Families interested in participating must sign up for the program every month. The deadline for February is noon Friday, **Jan. 29**. For parents with students attending school in person, there is no need to register, but all others must fill out a short form <u>here</u>.

Families without children in school can pick up their weekly meals between 10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. on all Mondays in February at the Bertha Frank Performing Arts Center at Morton High School, 350 N. Illinois Ave. There will be five lunches and breakfasts per child.

For the remainder of January, weekly meals can be picked up at the same time and place on Mondays, including on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, Jan. 18.

Questions should be directed to Kristina Klein, operations supervisor at Arbor Management, <u>kristina.klein@mcusd709.org</u> or 309-284-6320, or to Amy Zimmerman at the Morton District Office, <u>amy.zimmerman@mcusd709.org</u> or 309-284-8070.

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 May 2021.