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School Year 2019–2020
Public Media Release for Free and Reduced-Price Meals

Joan Macy School announces its policy to serve nutritious meals every school day under the National School Lunch Program, and/or School Breakfast Program, . Effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals if the household income is less than or equal to the federal guidelines.

# Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free and Reduced-price Meals or Free Milk in Child Nutrition Programs

Effective from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Households with income at or below the following levels may be eligible for free and reduced-price meals or free milk. The household size and Income Eligibility Guidelines charts below have been prepared for you to copy and paste them into the Media Release and Letter to Households. Please note that the size of these charts will need to be adjusted manually.

#### National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs

 Both free and reduced-price eligibility scales must appear in the Public Media Release • Only the reduced-price eligibility scale must appear in the Letter to Households

## **Special Milk Program**

 Only the free eligibility scale must appear in the Public Media Release and Letter to Households

Free Eligibility Scale for Breakfast, Lunch, and Milk

| Household Size                        | Year      | Month    | Twice Per<br>Month | Every Two<br>Weeks | Week     |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|
| 1                                     | \$ 16,237 | \$ 1,354 | \$ 677             | \$ 625             | \$ 313   |
| 2                                     | \$ 21,983 | \$ 1,832 | \$ 916             | \$ 846             | \$ 423   |
| 3                                     | \$ 27,729 | \$ 2,311 | \$ 1,156           | \$ 1,067           | \$ 534   |
| 4                                     | \$ 33,475 | \$ 2,790 | \$ 1,395           | \$ 1,288           | \$ 644   |
| 5                                     | \$ 39,221 | \$ 3,269 | \$ 1,635           | \$ 1,509           | \$ 755   |
| 6                                     | \$ 44,967 | \$ 3,748 | \$ 1,874           | \$ 1,730           | \$ 865   |
| 7                                     | \$ 50,713 | \$ 4,227 | \$ 2,114           | \$ 1,951           | \$ 976   |
| 8                                     | \$ 56,459 | \$ 4,705 | \$ 2,353           | \$ 2,172           | \$ 1,086 |
| For each additional family member add | \$ 5,746  | \$ 479   | \$ 240             | \$ 221             | \$ 111   |

# Reduced-price Eligibility Scale for Breakfast and Lunch

| Household Size                        | Year     | Month   | Twice Per<br>Month | Every Two<br>Weeks | Week     |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|
| 1                                     | \$23,107 | \$1,926 | \$963              | \$ 889             | \$ 445   |
| 2                                     | \$31,284 | \$2,607 | \$1,304            | \$1,204            | \$602    |
| 3                                     | \$39,461 | \$3,289 | \$1,645            | \$1,518            | \$759    |
| 4                                     | \$47,638 | \$3,970 | \$1,985            | \$1,833            | \$917    |
| 5                                     | \$55,815 | \$4,652 | \$2,326            | \$2,147            | \$ 1,074 |
| 6                                     | \$63,992 | \$5,333 | \$2,667            | \$2,462            | \$ 1,231 |
| 7                                     | \$72,169 | \$6,015 | \$3,008            | \$2,776            | \$1,388  |
| 8                                     | \$80,346 | \$6,696 | \$3,348            | \$3,091            | \$ 1,546 |
| For each additional family member add | \$8,177  | \$ 682  | \$ 341             | \$ 315             | \$ 158   |

## Reduced-price Scale for Letter to Households

Income Eligibility Guidelines: July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020

| Household Size | Year     | Month   | Twice Per<br>Month | Every Two<br>Weeks | Week   |
|----------------|----------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|
| 1              | \$23,107 | \$1,926 | \$963              | \$ 889             | \$ 445 |
| 2              | \$31,284 | \$2,607 | \$1,304            | \$1,204            | \$602  |
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| 5                                     | \$55,815 | \$4,652 | \$2,326            | \$2,147            | \$ 1,074 |
| 6                                     | \$63,992 | \$5,333 | \$2,667            | \$2,462            | \$ 1,231 |
| 7                                     | \$72,169 | \$6,015 | \$3,008            | \$2,776            | \$1,388  |
| 8                                     | \$80,346 | \$6,696 | \$3,348            | \$3,091            | \$ 1,546 |
| For each additional family member add | \$8,177  | \$ 682  | \$ 341             | \$ 315             | \$ 158   |

# Guia de Ingresos Elegibles: Julio 1, 2019–Junio 30, 2020

| Personas<br>En Hogar | Annual   | Mensual | Quincenal | Cada<br>Dos<br>Semanas | Semanal  |
|----------------------|----------|---------|-----------|------------------------|----------|
| 1                    | \$23,107 | \$1,926 | \$963     | \$ 889                 | \$ 445   |
| 2                    | \$31,284 | \$2,607 | \$1,304   | \$1,204                | \$602    |
| 3                    | \$39,461 | \$3,289 | \$1,645   | \$1,518                | \$759    |
| 4                    | \$47,638 | \$3,970 | \$1,985   | \$1,833                | \$917    |
| 5                    | \$55,815 | \$4,652 | \$2,326   | \$2,147                | \$ 1,074 |
| 6                    | \$63,992 | \$5,333 | \$2,667   | \$2,462                | \$ 1,231 |
| 7                    | \$72,169 | \$6,015 | \$3,008   | \$2,776                | \$1,388  |

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|---|----------|---------|-----------|------------------------|----------|
| 8   | \$80,346 | \$6,696 | \$3,348   | \$3,091                | \$ 1,546 |
| Para cada<br>miembro adicional<br>del hogar añade | \$8,177  | \$ 682  | \$ 341    | \$ 315                 | \$ 158   |

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Household is synonymous with family and means a group of related or unrelated individuals who are not residents of an institution or boarding house, but who are living as one economic unit sharing housing and all significant income and expenses. This scale does not apply to households that receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits—known as CalFresh in California, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) benefits, or children who are recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families—known as CalWORKs in California. Those children are automatically eligible for free meal benefits.

Households do not need to turn in an application when the household receives a notification letter saying that all children automatically qualify for free meals when any household member receives benefits from CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR. Children who meet the definition of foster, homeless, migrant, or runaway, and children enrolled in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals. Contact school officials if any child in the household is not on the notification letter. The household must let school officials know if they do not want to receive free or reduced-price meals.

Applications will be sent to the household with a letter about the free and reduced-price meal program. Households that want to apply for meal benefits, must fill out one application for all children in the household and give it to the office at JMS, 1350 Third Street, La Verne, CA 91750. Contact Claudia Enriquez at (909) 596-3173 for help filling out the application. The school will let you know if your application is approved or denied for free or reduced-price meals.

Households may turn in an application at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now, but your household income goes down, household size goes up, or a household member starts receiving CalFresh, CalWORKs, or FDPIR, you may turn in an application at that time. Information given on the application will be used to determine eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school officials. The last four digits of the Social Security number from any adult household or checking that you do not have a Social Security number is required if you include income on the application.

Households that receive Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) benefits, may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals by filling out an application.

Foster children are eligible for free meals and may be included as a household member if the foster family chooses to also apply for the non-foster children on the same application. Including foster children as a household member may help the non-foster children qualify for free or reduced-price meals. If the non-foster children are not eligible, this does not keep foster children from receiving free meals.

Your child's eligibility status from last school year will continue into the new school year for up to 30 school days or until the school processes your new application, or your child is otherwise certified for free or reduced-price meals.

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