

**Media Release for Free and Reduced-Price Meals  
Special Assistance Provision 2—2024-2025**

The *Mahoning Valley Community School* today announced a change to its policy for serving meals for children served under the **National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program** for the 2024-2025 school year. This new change will allow all children at all schools/sites to be served meals at no charge.

The ability of the *Mahoning Valley Community School* to offer this special alternative, called Provision 2, rests upon the success of the school in receiving a completed application for free and reduced-price meals for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program from each household in the school.

Applications will be furnished by the *Mahoning Valley Community School* and can be obtained at *Mahoning Valley Community School*. Call *Jennifer Benford* at 330-702-7890 to ask questions. Completed applications should be returned to the following location:

***Mahoning Valley Community School***  
***Attention: Jennifer Benford***  
***2026 South Ave.***  
***Youngstown, OH 44502 and 330-702-7890***  
***j.benford@mahoninghs.k12.oh.us***

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To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online

at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. **mail:**  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**  
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:** [Program.Intake@usda.gov](mailto:Program.Intake@usda.gov)

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Special Assistance Provision 2—2024-2025 and Successive Years**

*The Mahoning Valley Community School today announced an amendment to its policy for serving meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program for the 2024–2025 school year, which would allow for all children at all schools/sites to be served meals at no charge under Provision 2.*

*For additional information please contact the following person:*

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