



BRIDLINGTON
SCHOOL

How do I apply for Free School Meals?

Applying for Free School Meals

If you have experienced a change in your financial circumstances, I would encourage you to make an application for free school meals for your child / children. This can easily be done online or by telephone.

A successful application would provide your son / daughter with a free meal each day up to the value of £2.50, saving you potentially £12.50 each week. In addition to this, the school also receives pupil premium funding for students eligible for free school meals.

The school kitchen offers both hot and cold foods. A free school meal provides your child with a choice of a sandwich or hot meal, tray bake or cookie, a piece of fruit and a drink – plenty to get them through the day!

In addition to school meals, during recent times of lock down being eligible for Free School Meals has helped many Year 10 students be able to own a free laptop and internet dongle. The Department for Education have published that they are making similar plans for all year groups in case of local lockdowns. It makes sense to access Free School Meals for this availability alone.

Criteria for those eligible can be found at <https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/learning/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-meals/free-school-meals>. Examples of eligibility include being in receipt of Jobseekers Allowance (income based), Income Support, Universal Credit or receiving support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

To make an application over the phone, please call 01482 394799 – you will need your National Insurance number, or registered asylum seekers number to hand when making the call.

Please inform the school as soon as possible over changes in eligibility for free school meals, so that you can start saving money straight away.