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Dear Southland Parents,

Southland Public Schools received guidance from the Minnesota Department of Education late in the day on September 8, 2020 about how the District can participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) that offers free breakfast and lunch for all enrolled students. The USDA made the initial related announcement last week from the Federal level. Southland will be able to start free meals for all students on the first student day, Thursday, September 10, 2020.

Please review the following for more information:

- Free breakfast and lunch will start on Thursday, September 10, 2020.
- Free breakfast and lunch is for **enrolled** students in K-12 grades.
- Free breakfast and lunch may run through December 31, 2020; however, when funds are exhausted the program will end. **NOTICE: there may be little to no advance notice if the program ends prior to December 31, 2020.**
- Extra meals and a 'la carte will be charged to student lunch accounts as normal.
- On December 31, 2020 or if the program ends earlier, Southland will go back to the regular National breakfast and lunch with regularly charged meals.
- Students will sign up during first hour on Tuesdays to bring a meal home that afternoon for the three distance learning Wednesdays in September (16, 23, 30).
- In Southland's current learning model, meals **will not** be delivered or have pick-up spots on the September (16, 23, 30) distance learning days.
- Southland Schools **must** continue to collect and process the Application for Educational Benefits for reporting requirements.

Sincerely,


Scott Hall

Superintendent, Southland School District