



# Mapleton Local Schools

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Mapleton Community:

As the recent events of COVID-19 have created many difficulties for our Mapleton families, we want to stand strong in the message to our community that the staff and administrators truly care about our students and their families. You are the center focus and driving force of our work and efforts. Within these unprecedented times, we will continue to reach out and offer comfort and support to those who are the victim of financial uncertainty. Free and Reduced Meals encompasses more than just food for our students, though, that is the primary association. Unbeknownst to many is how completing the application for Free and Reduced meals can offer so much more, not only our students, but our district as a whole.

The following are a few items regarding what could be provided by qualifying for Free and Reduced Meals:

- Access to free and reduced breakfast and lunch
- Reduced or fully paid school fees
- Increased state funding to the district
- Grant opportunities
- Increase Federal Program Funding for the district
- Reduced cost for after-care programs at Mapleton Elementary
- Student eligibility for Career-Based Intervention at Mapleton High School
- Fee waivers for students taking the ACT, SAT, and PSAT
- Waived application fees for some colleges and universities

Any questions regarding Free and Reduced meals, please contact Gale Andress at [mapl\\_andress@tccsa.net](mailto:mapl_andress@tccsa.net) or 419-945-8145 or refer to this link:

<http://www.mapleton.k12.oh.us/FoodService.aspx>

Stay strong and stay safe!