

## **Arkansas Department of Education**

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## MEMORANDUM

| TO:      | ALL SNP PROGRAMS  |
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| FROM:    | ADE/OEC/HNU   |
| DATE:    | 03/08/2024  |
| SUBJECT: | ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS TO INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR |
|          | JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025                     |

The United States Department of Agriculture has released the annual adjustments on the Income Eligibility Guidelines. The annual adjustments will be effective starting July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, and will be valid through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. These guidelines are used by schools, institutions, and facilities participating in the National School Lunch Program (and Commodity School Program), School Breakfast Program, Special Milk Program for Children, Child and Adult Care Food Program, and Summer Food Service Program.

Please see the chart below for the updated guidance:

Income Eligibility Guidelines: Effective July 1st, 2024 Through June 30th, 2025

|            | Reduced Price Meals – 185% |         |       |       |        | Free Meals – 130% |         |       |       |        |
|------------|----------------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|-------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| Household  | Annual                     | Monthly | Twice | Every | Weekly | Annual            | Monthly | Twice | Every | Weekly |
| Size:      |                            |         | Per   | Two   |        |                   |         | Per   | Two   |        |
|            |                            |         | Month | Weeks |        |                   |         | Month | Weeks |        |
| 1          | 27,861                     | 2,322   | 1,161 | 1,072 | 536    | 19,578            | 1,632   | 816   | 753   | 377    |
| 2          | 37,814                     | 3,152   | 1,576 | 1,455 | 728    | 26,572            | 2,215   | 1,108 | 1,022 | 511    |
| 3          | 47,767                     | 3,981   | 1,991 | 1,838 | 919    | 33,566            | 2,798   | 1,399 | 1,291 | 646    |
| 4          | 57,720                     | 4,810   | 2,405 | 2,220 | 1,110  | 40,560            | 3,380   | 1,690 | 1,560 | 780    |
| 5          | 67,673                     | 5,640   | 2,820 | 2,603 | 1,302  | 47,554            | 3,963   | 1,982 | 1,829 | 915    |
| 6          | 77,626                     | 6,469   | 3,235 | 2,986 | 1,493  | 54,548            | 4,546   | 2,273 | 2,098 | 1,049  |
| 7          | 87,579                     | 7,299   | 3,650 | 3,369 | 1,685  | 61,542            | 5,129   | 2,565 | 2,367 | 1,184  |
| 8          | 97,532                     | 8,128   | 4,064 | 3,752 | 1,876  | 68,536            | 5,712   | 2,856 | 2,636 | 1,318  |
| After each | 9,953                      | 830     | 415   | 383   | 192    | 6,994             | 583     | 292   | 269   | 135    |
| additional |                            |         |       |       |        |                   |         |       |       |        |
| family     |                            |         |       |       |        |                   |         |       |       |        |
| member,    |                            |         |       |       |        |                   |         |       |       |        |
| add        |                            |         |       |       |        |                   |         |       |       |        |

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