

FREE SCHOOL MEALS (FSM)

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If you receive any of the following support payments your child may be entitled to receive free school meals:

- * Universal Credit
- * Income Support
- * Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- * Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- * Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- * the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- * Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- * Working Tax Credit run-on; paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- * Children who receive a qualifying benefit in their own right are also allowed to receive free school meals.

FSM is completely anonymous– due to the cashless catering system, no other student or member of staff will be aware of the FSM allocation.

No one will know you have registered and it will not affect any other benefits you are claiming

If you think your child is entitled to FSM, you will need to apply online using the academies web-checking service. You will need to provide your name, National Insurance number and address details. You will need to apply separately for every child in your household. This service gives an instant response to your child's eligibility.

Please use the link below:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/ofsm-east>

If you do not have access to a computer, please complete and return the form below providing your consent for the academy to check your eligibility.

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consent to allow Plume Academy to check on my behalf:

(a separate form must be completed for each child you are applying for)

If you have internet access, please use: <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/ofsm-east>

Otherwise, please provide:

Your full name:

Your date of birth:

Your contact details:

o Home address:

o Email address:

o Telephone number:

Your National Insurance Number or National Asylum Seekers number:

Child's name and date of birth:

School your child is attending/will attend:

I agree that you will use the information provided to process my claim for free school meals and will contact other sources as allowed by law to verify my initial, and ongoing, entitlement.

I agree that the information may be used to ensure accuracy of records across the local authority and the check against fraud.

I agree that you can inform the schools/academies attended by my child of their initial and ongoing entitlement to free school meals.

You may be aware of our [Privacy Policy](#).

Signed:

Print name:

Relationship to student:

Date: