

Vermont Agency of Education

Instructions:

Number 1: Print the Full Name(s) (first and last name) of Participant(s) attending the center. If the participant(s) receive **Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Medicaid**, please list the number under the appropriate box and **Skip to number 5.**

Number 2: If the participant(s) live in a **3SquaresVT household or Reach Up**, please list the name of the person who receives the benefit and the case number associated with the benefit. **Skip to number 5.**

Number 3: Print the **Full Name(s) (first and last name) of each person** living in the household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends).

Number 4: For each household member, list each type of income received for the month. You must tell us how often the money is received – weekly, every other week, twice a month, or monthly. For earnings, be sure to list **gross income** – not take-home pay. *Gross income* is the amount earned before taxes and other deductions. This should be on your pay stub, or your boss can tell you. For *child support, alimony, or welfare*, list the amount each person got for the month. *Pensions, retirement, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veterans Benefits (VA benefits), and disability benefits* must be listed for each person who received these benefits. *Any other Income* includes Worker’s Compensation, unemployment or strike benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household. Do not include income from 3SquaresVT, WIC, Federal Education benefits and foster payments received by the family from the placing agency. For self-employed, under *Gross Earnings from Work*, report income after expenses. This is for your business, farm, or rental property. If you are in the Military Privatized Housing Initiative or get combat pay, do not include these allowances as income.

Number 5: Adult household member must sign and date the form and list the last four digits of the Social Security number.

Income Eligibility Guidelines

The chart below shows reduced-priced guidelines. Households earning more than the income(s) listed per time period below are Over Income.

Please refer to the Current Income Eligibility Guidelines to view free guidelines.

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	25,142	2,096	1,048	967	484
2	33,874	2,823	1,412	1,303	652
3	42,606	3,551	1,776	1,639	820
4	51,338	4,279	2,140	1,975	988
5	60,070	5,006	2,503	2,311	1,156
6	68,802	5,734	2,867	2,647	1,324
7	77,534	6,462	3,231	2,983	1,492
8	86,266	7,189	3,595	3,318	1,659
For each additional household member add	8,732	728	364	336	168

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (3SquaresVT), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Reach-Up) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

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