

On March 16, 2020, McLean County Administration received the following from Regional Superintendent of Schools Mark Jontry. As always, contact your child's school for more information:

Unit 5

Meals will be available on Tuesday, March 17 through Friday, March 20, and Monday, March 30 at five centralized sites. Meals will NOT be available during Spring Break, the week of March 23-27.

Parents, guardians, and students can pick up the meals. All that is needed to receive a "Grab and Go" meal is a student's name, grade, and school. The child does not need to be present.

We ask all families to participate in the following survey to help us know how many meals to prepare. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BK6RN58>

Pick-up times at all locations: ● Tuesday, March 17 through Friday, March 20 – 9 to 11 AM ● Monday, March 30 – 9 to 11 AM

Locations:

- Cedar Ridge Elementary, 2808 Breezewood Blvd., Bloomington
- Kingsley Junior High, 303 Kingsley St., Normal
- Sugar Creek Elementary, 200 N Towanda Ave, Normal
- Pepper Ridge Elementary, 2602 Danbury Drive, Bloomington
- Fairview Elementary School, 416 Fairview St., Normal

District 87

See attached

Olympia

During the shutdown, Director Walsh's team will be delivering food via transportation routes on Wednesday, March 18, Friday, March 20, Wednesday, March 25, and Monday, March 30.

Please follow the instructions in the letter from Director Walsh located on the Olympia Website to request breakfast and lunch bags. <https://5il.co/dqvs>

In addition, the elementary schools will be open for students to get a "grab and go" breakfast bag and/or lunch bag from 7:30 am to 9:00 am. Students are responsible for their transportation to and from the school during this time. Schools will be open for grab and go bags on Wednesday, March 18, Wednesday, March 25, and Monday, March 30.

Heyworth

Heyworth families in the free and reduced lunch program: Our local food pantry will have food available for distribution on Tuesday, March 17th.

A grocery bag may be picked up by these families at the United Church, 302 E. Main between the hours of 10:30 -11:30 AM and 5:00 - 6:00 PM on March 17th.

They also have volunteers who could deliver a bag if needed. Delivery can be arranged by calling (309) 473-2247.

If other students or families are in need of food, please let us know by emailing taylorl@husd4.org. We can work with our local partners to help out those in need.

Tri-Valley

The Tri-Valley Food and Nutrition Department and Transportation Department will be working together to provide students lunch while we are out of school due to COVID-19. This will begin on Tuesday, March 17th through March 20th and on March 30th . We will not be providing meals during our scheduled Spring Break.

We will offer both a curbside pick up option, as well as a delivery option. The COVID-19 Child Nutrition Response Act has created a nationwide waiver that allows us to provide these lunches to all Tri-Valley families free of charge. We will offer a variety of cold items, including but not limited to: entrée salads, sandwiches, and wraps.

The lunch for that day will be listed on the Google Form created. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdS_Mf76Y5WumLd2JSd_Z7YTWxh6017kUNakKpXi1yLBcy29g/viewform

If you would like to request a lunch for your student please fill out the form, and submit no later than 8:30 am that day. Forms will be available for the following day beginning at 3:00pm the previous day, to provide ample time for parents to submit requests.

If electing curbside pick-up, you may pick up your lunch at the middle school at 11:30 am-12:00pm. If electing for delivery, routes will start running at 11:00 am with neighborhood and community delivery. Please provide your bus route address and bus letter on Google Form (this information is available on Skyward Family Access under Busing).

LeRoy

We are going to deliver a breakfast and lunch on a daily basis to our Free/Reduced that request meals. They are going to be available at school for pick up from 10:30 to 11:30, then we will deliver meals at 12:00, those will be done by our SRO and counselor.

Ridgeview

We will be providing daily sack meals-breakfast and lunch. We will deliver to wherever your child is currently picked up (bus stop or your home) as well as have available for pick up at the school Tuesday, March 17- Friday, March 20 and Monday, March 30 from 11-1p.

We will drop off each day's lunch and the next day's breakfast. We will try to be at your regularly scheduled bus stop at approximately 3 hours earlier than your students normal drop off time (example, if your drop off time is 4pm we will be there at approximately 1pm).

We will provide food for anyone 18 years and younger in your home. However, we cannot leave the meal if no one is present. Also, no meals will be delivered during Spring Break, March 23-27.

Lexington

We are planning food drops today, Wednesday and Friday of this week. We asked families to complete a Google Survey indicating need and a choice of one of 5 locations. We currently are not only providing meals for students but we have enough to provide meals to all family members in the household.

We just received a large shipment from Midwest Food Bank last week and we had other gracious donors also step up. We are also coordinating with our local food pantry so they can provide weekend deliveries.

Today we provided 4 meals (2 breakfast, 2 lunch) to each student. Both lunch meals were fully cooked and just needed rewarmed. We provided 604 meals with an additional 50 extra meals sent to the sites for anyone who might show up.

Bellflower(Blue Ridge)

Food Program – Begins Tuesday, March 17, 2020:

- Through a state waiver we can provide free breakfast and lunch to any student 18 or younger, regardless of whether they qualify for free or reduced meals or not. They do not need to be a student in our school or a resident of our district.
- Meals may be provided to any adults at a cost of \$4 per day. This includes breakfast and lunch for each day. You can pay at the meal delivery location by check or cash by day or for multiple days. Make checks payable to Blue Ridge Schools.

- Meals will be delivered daily from 8-10 a.m. to the three distribution hubs: Bellflower Community Center, BRIJHS in Mansfield, and Schneider School in Farmer City. For those who cannot come to the delivery hubs, home delivery will be available

Chenoa (Prairie Central)

For this first week, meals will be distributed on a pick-up basis only. To enroll your child(ren), please call our food service department at 815-692-2115, or the alternate number of 815-692-3484. You may then pick up all meals at the Prairie Central school that you indicated during enrollment any time between 8:00 am and 11:30am. If possible, one person should come into the school to pick up meals

Gridley (EPG)

To support EPG families in the days ahead, we will provide free to-go-bag meals which provide breakfast and lunch from Tuesday, March 17th through Friday, March 20th from 8:00am until 10:00am. This is for any child 18 and younger who lives in the EPG district or is an EPG student.

If you are able to pick up your meals, there will be a drive-through option at the following locations:

- Centennial School in El Paso**
- EPG Junior High in Gridley**
- St. John's Lutheran Church at 212 North 2nd Street in Secor**
- Corner of Jones and Park Streets in Kappa**

Please choose the pick-up location that is most convenient for your family. It does not matter which EPG school students attend.

If unable to pick up your meals and you require delivery, please contact the Superintendent's office by calling 309-527-4410. Please leave a message and we will add you to the delivery list. In your message please include the number of meals that are needed per day and a contact number. Please remember, delivery will be between 8am-10am each day.