



Opportunity to Receive CalFresh Benefits

The Sonoma County Department of Human Services has named Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa (CCDSR) as its representative to partner with school districts to help students and their families enroll in CalFresh. CalFresh is a program that provides monthly benefits to households for purchasing the food they need to maintain adequate nutrition. Participation in the Free and Reduced-Price (F/RP) school meal program means that your family could be eligible for the CalFresh food assistance program.

On the **Application for Free and Reduced-Price Meals w/CalFresh Option** there is a place for you to consent to allow the Schools District to share your contact information with CCDSR:

OPTIONAL Parent or guardian consent to information-sharing for CalFresh benefits—Pursuant to California *Education Code 49558(d)*

Upon consent, this application or the information it contains, will **only** be shared with your local CalFresh agency and **only** for purposes directly related to the enrollment of your family into the CalFresh program. Consent must only be given by the student's parent or guardian. In households with multiple families, the parent or guardian of each student must sign for their own child(ren). Declining to provide consent will not affect your child's eligibility for the free and reduced-price meal program.

Check this box if you are the parent or guardian of every student listed in STEP 1 (on other side) to consent to sharing this application as stated above. Print and sign parent name and enter today's date.

With your contact information, a friendly CCDSR staff member will contact you to determine your eligibility. Once you have been screened as potentially eligible you have the option to attend our CalFresh Workshop where a team will help you complete your application. That same day a county worker will review and approve your application if eligible. The information used in the application remains confidential and can only be used for enrollment in the CalFresh program.

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