

Averill Park CSD - Letter to Parents for School Meal Programs
Special Provision Options (Provision 2 Non-Base Year & Community Eligibility Provision)

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Miller Hill Elementary, Poestenkill Elementary, West Sand Lake Elementary, Algonquin Middle School, Averill Park High School, and George Washington School will be offering meals at no cost to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for the 2026-2027 school year.

What does this mean for your child(ren) attending the school(s) identified above?

All students enrolled at Miller Hill Elementary, Poestenkill Elementary, West Sand Lake Elementary, Algonquin Middle School, Averill Park High School, and George Washington School are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **no charge** to your household each day of the 2026-2027 school year. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submitting an application. No further action is required of you.

If you have any further questions, please contact Susan Frank at susan.frank@neric.org or (518) 464-5133.

Sincerely,

Ricky Welling
School Lunch Director

Nondiscrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

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