

Stone Magnet Middle School

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To Parents of Stone Magnet Middle School:

According to the US Department of Education "Schools in which children from low-income families make up at least 40 percent of enrollment are eligible to use Title I funds for schoolwide programs that serve all children in the school" (October 2015)

Title I is designed to help students served by the program to achieve proficiency on challenging State academic achievement standards. Title I schools with percentages of students from low-income families of at least 40 percent may use Title I funds, along with other Federal, State, and local funds, to operate a "schoolwide program" to upgrade the instructional program for the whole school.

Based upon this information we are encouraging our parents to complete the Free/Reduced application that can be found at the Brevard County Public Schools website: <https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/3473>

Frequently asked questions:

1. Will anyone know my child is on Free/Reduced Lunch? No they do not. Not even the cashier knows.
2. Is there a separate lunch line for Free/Reduced Lunch? No, all students get the same food in ALL lunch lines.
3. I don't think I will get approved so it doesn't matter. Not true, just try to fill it out even if you don't think you will get it approved because you never know and that money will benefit all students if you qualify.
4. What do I need to fill out the information? You will need your SSN and Student ID numbers for all students in household. If you receive SNAP or TANF you will need case number.
5. What if I don't have a computer? We will open up our Media Center for you to use a computer. Just call the front office to make an appointment with our Media Specialist.

"Good nutrition is a vital part of a student's ability to learn and to make the most of their educational experience. The Department of Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) offers healthy meals to students every school day. There is no charge for breakfast under Provision 2 in Brevard County. Students may buy lunch for \$1.80 in elementary school or \$1.90 in middle and high schools. The information submitted on the Free and Reduced Price Meals application may qualify your child/ren for free or reduced price meals. The price for a reduced meal cost is \$0.40 daily. If approved, the free or reduced meal benefits are effective for the entire school year." (BPS letter 2017-18)

Title I and Good nutrition for our students will allow us to provide a more solid program of study for Stone students. In order for a secondary school to meet the Title I requirements, we must have 75% of our student population with Free/Reduced Lunch status. Please consider taking the steps to help our students and school upgrade our instructional programs.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call 321-723-0741 ext. 5205.

Sincerely,

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