

Program Year 2011-2012
West Virginia Department of Education
FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEAL FAMILY APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING

If your household gets FOOD STAMPS OR TANF, follow these instructions:

- Part 1:** List child(ren)'s name, date of birth, grade, and school, center, or camp.
Part 2: Check the appropriate box and list the 10-digit Food Stamp or TANF case number.
Part 3: Skip this part.
Part 4: Skip this part.
Part 5: Sign the form. A Social Security Number is not necessary.
Part 6: Answer this question if you choose.
Part 7: Answer this question if you choose.
Part 8: (Found on back of application.) Call number listed to request WVCHIP or Medicaid information.

If you are applying for a child who is HOMELESS, MIGRANT, or a RUNAWAY, follow these instructions: check the appropriate box and call your county contact at the phone number listed in Part 3 of the application. Fill out the rest of the application by following instructions for ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS.

If you are applying for a FOSTER CHILD, follow these instructions:

If all children in the household are foster children:

- Part 1:** List all foster children, date of birth, grade and school, center, or camp.
Part 2: Skip this part.
Part 3: Skip this part.
Part 4: Skip this part.
Part 5: Sign the form. The last four digits of a Social Security Number are **not** necessary.
Part 6: Answer this question if you choose.

If some children in the household are foster children:

- Part 1:** List all children in the household (including foster children), date of birth, mark box if foster child, grade, and school, center, or camp.
Part 2: If the household does not have a case number, skip this part.
Part 3: If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway, check the appropriate box and call the contact number listed.
Part 4: Follow these instructions to report total household income from last month.

Column 1–Name: List all household members.

Column 2–Last month's income: List the types of income your household received last month. *Employment Income:* List the **gross income** each person earned last month. It is not the same as take home pay. **Gross income is the amount earned before taxes and deductions.** It should be listed on your pay stub, or your boss can tell you. *Other Income:* List the total amount each person received last month from **all other sources.** Include welfare, child support, alimony, pensions, retirement, Social Security, Worker's Compensation, unemployment, strike benefits, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veteran's benefits (VA benefits), disability benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household, withdrawals from savings, and ANY OTHER INCOME. Report net income for self-owned business, farm, or rental income.

Last Column–Check if no income: If the person does not have any income, check the box.

- Part 5:** An adult household member must sign the form and list the last 4 digits of his or her Social Security Number, or mark the box if he or she doesn't have one.
Part 6: Answer this question if you choose.
Part 7: Answer this question if you choose.
Part 8: (Found on back of application.) Call number listed to request WVCHIP or Medicaid information.

ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS, including WIC households, follow these instructions:

- Part 1:** List each child's name, date of birth, grade and school, center, or camp.
Part 2: Skip this part.
Part 3: Check a box only if it applies.
Part 4: Follow these instructions to report total household income from last month.

Column 1–Name: List the first and last name of **each** person living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends). **You must include yourself and all children.** Attach another sheet of paper with household members if required.

Column 2–Last month's income: List the types of income your household received last month. *Employment Income:* List the **gross income** each person earned last month. It is not the same as take home pay. **Gross income is the amount earned before taxes and deductions.** It should be listed on your pay stub, or your boss can tell you. *Other Income:* List the total amount each person received last month from **all other sources.** Include welfare, child support, alimony, pensions, retirement, Social Security, Worker's Compensation, unemployment, strike benefits, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veteran's benefits (VA benefits), disability benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household, withdrawals from savings, and ANY OTHER INCOME. Report net income for self-owned business, farm, or rental income.

Last Column–Check if no income: If the person does not have any income, check the box.

- Part 5:** An adult household member must sign the form and list the last 4 digits of his or her Social Security Number, or mark the box if he or she doesn't have one.
Part 6: Answer this question if you choose.
Part 7: Answer this question if you choose.
Part 8: (Found on back of application.) Call number listed to request WVCHIP or Medicaid information.