

FLANDREAU SANTEE SIOUX TRIBE  
EDUCATION OFFICE



**FSST Student Meals Program**  
2024-2025

Dear FSST Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe offers a program to assist FSST members with K-12 student meals and milk breaks. This program is for **FSST members and their children who reside in Moody County and are attending the Flandreau Public Schools, Colman-Egan Schools or other area schools.**

**Program Requirements and Expectations**

1. Each year, all parents/guardians will complete and submit a **Free & Reduced Meals Program Application** to the School's Business Office. Your application is needed in order to be eligible for this program. However, denial of services by the Free & Reduced Meals Program due to income guidelines does not make you ineligible for the FSST Student Meals Assistance Program. The FSST Student Meals Program does not duplicate other available aid. This helps to free up Tribal funds for other services.

This year the USDA is continuing the free meals program which provides 1 breakfast and 1 lunch per day for all students. However, it is still **important to complete the Free & Reduced Meals Program Application as the information on eligibility is used to secure funding for other programs** such as potential Pandemic-EBT benefits through the Department for Children and Families and local school benefits such as technology discounts, Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program, Afterschool snacks served at no charge, etc. These programs benefit children of all grades.

2. FSST funds 1 **Elementary** Milk Break a day. This year, 1 Breakfast a day and 1 Lunch a day per student will be provided under the USDA, as described above, regardless of income level so the FSST program will not cover meals as it has in past years until the need arises.
3. FSST funds one extra serving for breakfast and lunch meals this year only. Parents/Guardians are responsible for any charges that exceed the USDA and FSST Meals Program limitations.

Please contact me with any questions.

All best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Sarah Bad Warrior-Vrooman'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sarah Bad Warrior-Vrooman  
Education Director