

## Charles City County Public Schools Establishes a Student-Meal site for Free 'Grab and Go' Breakfasts and Lunches

While Charles City County Public Schools has closed its facilities to combat the spread of coronavirus, many students depend on school meals as a crucial part of daily nutrition. Charles City Public Schools is addressing this need with a plan to set up a site at the Charles City High School to distribute free school meals.

Beginning Monday, March 23, the high school will open to distribute free "grab and go" school meals. A packaged breakfast/lunch combo will be available each school day on a first-come, first-served basis. Food distribution is open to all students, regardless of what school they attend, as well as others under age 18. Adults must be accompanied by each child under 18 who needs a meal.

Pick-up hours are scheduled for 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The CCPS school nutrition staff will regularly assess student needs. Food availability and updates will be shared with CCPS families via our alert system and website, <a href="https://www.ccps.net">www.ccps.net</a>.

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