

Free School Meals

Important Update

From September 2026

National eligibility criteria for Free School Meals (FSM) is expanding.

New rules

All households receiving Universal Credit will now qualify.

Current £7,400 income threshold removed.

How This Helps You

Families could **save up to £495 per child**, per year on school meal costs*.

What You Need To Do

If you receive Universal Credit, you should **apply for Free School Meals before 30 September 2026**.

Complete your application form

www.warrington.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals



*According to the Department for Education