

Power Up Meal Charge Policy 2023/2024 (All Grades)

It's time to
**POWER
UP!**

Broward County Public Schools
Food and Nutrition Services



All Student Receive a Breakfast and Lunch at No Cost.

Who/What: Community Eligibility Provision

Broward County Public Schools is pleased to announce an increase at 14 schools to the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). CEP provides breakfast and lunch at no cost for all students at 180 eligible Broward County Public Schools.

CEP is offered to schools with students qualifying for SNAP, TANF, Medicaid and Extension of Benefits along with Homeless, Foster, Head Start and Migrant. BCPS has identified schools with 40% or more students qualifying for this program. Families will not need to complete an application to participate.

Who/What: Universal Free Lunch Pilot

Beginning in the 2023-2024 school year Broward County Public Schools will pilot the Universal Free Lunch Program in all 47 Non-Community Eligibility Provision (Non-CEP) schools.

The Universal Free Lunch Program Pilot will provide reimbursable Lunch Meals to all students in Non-CEP Schools at no cost regardless of students' eligibility. In order to sustain the Universal Free Lunch Program Pilot, it is vital for parents to complete an online application for District meal reimbursement and providing opportunities for additional District Programs.

Universal Free Breakfast will be available at the 47 Non-CEP Community Eligibility Provision (Non-CEP) Schools.

How: Community Eligibility Provision

Families may complete an Income Survey Form at www.myschoolapps.com. An approved Income Survey form may qualify a student to receive additional District Benefits. For assistance with completing an Income Survey Form for free or reduced-price meals, families can contact the Food and Nutrition Services Department at 754-321-0250.

Universal Free Lunch Program Pilot

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ID: Student issued ID badges at the cash register assure students receive the correct meal according to any medical or allergy issues that are noted.

MTSS Information for Parents and Families

What is Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)?

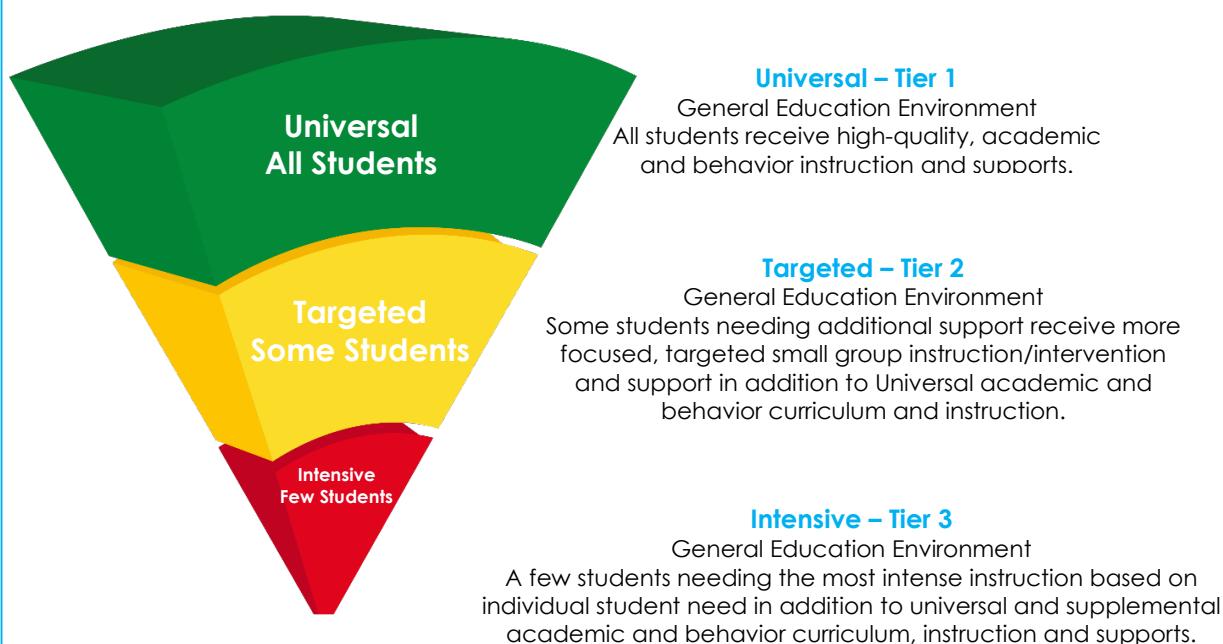
MTSS is a term used to describe a seamless prevention framework that refers to all the academic, behavioral and social-emotional strategies, interventions, supports and resources that are used to help all students grow and achieve. MTSS encompasses Response to Intervention (RtI) and Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS).

What is Response to Intervention (RtI)?

RtI is the practice of providing high quality instruction and intervention matched to student need and close monitoring of how a student responds to different layers of instruction and support.

What are Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)?

PBIS are the methods used to identify and support desired behaviors in the school setting through the encouragement of positive behaviors school wide.



What are the benefits of MTSS?

The overall goal of MTSS is to improve educational outcomes for all students, by identifying students' needs early, and making sure students' needs do not go unmet.

MTSS focuses on using data to make decisions about adjusting teaching or providing extra supports so students do better in school. Schools use MTSS to build a system of combined instruction, intervention and support for students at varying levels of intensity, based on each student's need. MTSS is for all students.

What do I do if I believe my child is struggling?

- Participate in conferences and problem-solving meetings for your child!
- Review and assist with homework assignments and projects.
- Ask what interventions are being used for academic and/or behavioral concerns.
- Ask what techniques are being used to monitor the progress and effectiveness of the implemented interventions.
- Ask your school to provide you with regular progress monitoring reports.
- Celebrate your child's successes!

Parental Resources

This **video** for parents introduces the use of problem solving and how it may affect your child. [MTSS Introduction for Families](#).

Use the link to view the [The Parent Guide for MTSS](#).

Access the following links for additional information:

Broward County Public Schools MTSS

<https://www.browardschools.com/MTSS>

Florida's MTSS

<http://floridarti.usf.edu/>

For additional information or questions contact your student's school or Broward County Public Schools MTSS program via email bcpsmtssrti@browardschools.com or call 754-321-0000.



How will MTSS impact my child?

- Your child will be included in early identification of academic and/or behavioral concerns so assistance can be provided at the first signs of difficulty.
- Help for your child will increase or decrease depending on his or her needs and response.

How can I participate in MTSS?

Families play a critical role in supporting what their children are learning in school. The more parents are involved in student learning, the higher the student achievement. Ask questions to learn more about MTSS in your child's school and when things are not clear!

- Is my child successful? How do I know? If not, why and what can we do differently?
- If needed, how is additional help going to be provided? By whom? How often? For how long?
- How can I participate in problem-solving about my child?
- What can I do to help with the interventions for my child at home?
- How will I know if interventions are working?



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Acknowledgement - Parent Copy

SBBC Policy 5090, Code of Student Conduct, lists the District's rules for students in Broward County Public Schools. The rules apply to all activities occurring on school grounds, on other sites being used for school activities, and on any vehicles authorized to transport students. Your signature below does not indicate that you agree or disagree with the rules, **but rather that you have reviewed the electronic copy of these rules** (<http://www.browardschools.com/codeofconduct>). Return this form to school within 3 days from the first day of school or from the date of enrollment. If you would prefer to complete all required forms electronically, please access the Back to School Toolkit (<https://www.browardschools.com/bts-onlineforms>).

Parents need to be involved in the education of their children and have the responsibility to:

- Know that for school safety, schools are not required to provide supervision more than 30 minutes prior to the official starting time, nor are they required to provide supervision for more than 30 minutes after the official closing time (F.S. §1003.31 (2)).
- Know that for school safety, for students who ride a school bus, drivers are NOT permitted to let students off the bus except at the designated stop.
- Provide the school with the names of current emergency contact person(s) and/or telephone numbers on an annual basis and when there are changes.
- Notify the school of anything that may affect their child's ability to learn, to attend school regularly, or to take part in school activities.
- Be aware that medicine must be administered in accordance with SBBC Policies 6305 and 6305.1, as may be amended, and that consequences for transmittal and/or sale or attempted sale of over-the-counter medications and possession and/or use of unauthorized medications can be found in SBBC Policy 5100. SB Policy 6305 outlines the rules regarding over-the-counter and prescription drugs and SBBC Policy 5100 outlines the consequences for violating those rules. You may view the complete health and suspension and/or expulsion policies, as well as all School Board policies, on the Web at: <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/37754>
- Be aware that parents have rights with regard to the privacy and confidentiality of student records that are maintained by schools as defined in Section VIII of this booklet.
- Neither the School Board of Broward County nor its employees will be held liable for items that are prohibited and are lost, stolen, or confiscated; or for wireless communication devices or other personal technology that are lost, stolen, or confiscated.
- Be aware that confiscated items not claimed by the end of the school year will be donated to local charities.
- Recognize that they are responsible for their student's behavior on the way to and from school and at the bus stop. A safe and respectful learning environment is key to academic achievement; therefore any student's off campus actions that seriously affect a student's ability to learn or a staff member's ability to teach may be handled as a disciplinary infraction. For serious incidents that occur at bus stops and/or that are not on School Board property, parents should contact law enforcement directly. For bullying incidents (see bullying definition, Section II), school officials should be notified and will investigate and/or provide assistance and intervention, as the principal/designee deems appropriate, which may include the use of the School Resource Officer.
- Ensure their child demonstrates legal, ethical and responsible use of technology including networks, digital tools, the Internet, and software, as defined in Section IV of this booklet.
- Parents will continue to maintain responsibility for students who reach the age of majority, (18 years or older), for all educational and discipline purposes, with exceptions as provided by statute.

Note: Parental selection for each form within the Code of Student Conduct will be effective until a new form is submitted.

Student Name (PRINT)

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Name (PRINT)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date