



**DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL - CHILDREN AND ADULTS SERVICES  
APPLICATION FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS**



**Infant school children currently receive free school meals due to a Government policy, however schools can receive additional funding through a separate scheme for any children who qualify for free meals due to parents/guardians being in receipt of certain benefits as detailed below. This additional funding will benefit all pupils in the form of extra resources, etc. Could parents therefore please complete and return this form to school, even if you do not think you qualify.**

If your child is under 19, in full-time education and you are in receipt of one of the following benefits they may be eligible for a free school meal which also benefits school through extra funding. **Please highlight which of the benefits below you are claiming by marking X in the relevant box.**

- Universal Credit **with an earnings threshold that does not exceed £7,400**
- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, provided they **are not** entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Where a parent is entitled to Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone receives for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

**The details of the person who receives the benefit should be used on this form.**

If you have children attending different schools individual applications should be made.

<b>1. Please complete the following details of parent/guardian receiving the benefit:</b>	
<b>Claimant's Full Name:</b>	_____
<b>Relationship to child(ren):</b>	_____ (e.g. Father, Mother, Guardian)
<b>Claimant's Date of Birth:</b>	_____
<b>Claimant's N.I. Number:</b>	_____
<b>Address:</b>	_____
<b>Postcode:</b>	_____
<b>Telephone No:</b>	_____ ( in the event of query)
<b>Sign :</b>	_____ <b>Date :</b> _____

<b>2. List the children in your care who attend this school:</b>			
Name	Date of Birth	Class	School

Details of your claim may be held on computer but will be regarded at all times as confidential. The school and the County Council follow GDPR regulations.

<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>	Start Date:	End Date:	Completed by
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