Superintendent of Maryland Public Schools, Dr. Karen Salmon, with the consent of the State Board of Education, ordered public schools to close effective March 13, 2020, in response to the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency. On March 25, 2020, Dr. Salmon and The Board extended the temporary school closures until April 24, 2020.

The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Office of School and Community Nutrition Programs (OSCNP) and Maryland schools are committed to continuing meal service for children and teens during the temporary school closures.

Maryland schools and agencies are offering free ‘Grab-N-Go' meals, in a non-congregate setting through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Visit MDsummerMeals.org to find available meal sites in Maryland.

**Statewide Weekly Meal Totals**

![Graph showing weekly meal counts from March 23 to March 27, 2020](chart.png)

**Weekly Highlights**

- During Week 2 (March 23, 2020-March 27, 2020) over 880,000 meals were served, nearly doubling the number of meals served during Week 1 (444,513).
- MSDE submitted additional waivers to the USDA to allow schools and agencies in Maryland to continue meal services for children and teens during the temporary school closures.
- Schools and agencies across Maryland continue to expand access to meal service for children and teens.
In Week 2, Maryland agencies served over 880,600 Grab-N-Go meals to children and teens.

County numbers vary due to county population, site eligibility, and region.