

## Children and Adult's Services

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Apply for free healthy secondary school meals scheme now

We offer free healthy secondary school meals.

The scheme is for secondary school pupils:

- from families who get Universal Credit
- and who are not currently eligible for government benefits related free school meals (FSM) if their household income is more than £7,400 per year.

Bacon's College invites you to apply if your household is eligible.

## You can apply for free healthy secondary school meals by completing this form

You need to show that your household gets or has recently applied for or will move to Universal Credit.

Find out more about this scheme at: www.southwark.gov.uk/secondary-meals

## Important information about eligibility for free school meals

If you have not moved to Universal Credit

You can apply for the scheme if you provide evidence of your upcoming move to Universal Credit (such as a letter) from a previous benefit.

These benefits include:

- income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- Housing Benefit
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit

Getting Southwark free healthy secondary school meals **will not** affect any government benefits you get or are entitled to.

FAQ's about the scheme can be found in the next attachment. If you have any other questions or concerns, contact <a href="mailto:schooloffice@baconscollege.co.uk">schooloffice@baconscollege.co.uk</a>

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