

## Media Release - Summer Food Service Program

Stressing the importance of offering nutritious meals to children during the summer months, the UW-Eau Claire Upward Bound announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), which is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and is administered by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, provides nutritious meals to children during the summer, when free and reduced-price school meals are typically unavailable. Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under. Persons over 18 years of age who are determined by a state or local public educational agency to be mentally or physically disabled and who also participate in a public or private non-profit school program during the regular school year may receive free meals as well.

The following locations will be serving free meals this summer at UW-Eau Claire Hilltop Center for ONLY those students enrolled in Upward Bound, Monday-Friday June 10-July 12, 2024. The following week after is the field trip, Monday-Friday July 15 – July 19, 2024. Meals are provided to eligible children regardless of race, color, national origin, age, gender or disability and there will be no discrimination in the course of meal service.

The amount of reimbursement received by a Summer Food Service Program sponsor is based upon the household incomes of the enrolled children. Children who are members of households receiving Foodshare, FDPIR, W-2 (Wisconsin Works - Cash Benefits Only) benefits are automatically eligible to receive free meal benefits at eligible program sites.

Listed below are the USDA Income Eligibility Guidelines in effect from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

### SFSP Income Eligibility Guidelines

Household Size	Monthly Income Level <i>Effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024</i>
1	\$2,248
2	3,041
3	3,833
4	4,625
5	5,418
6	6,210
7	7,003
8	7,795
For each additional household member add	+793

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