



WILLOW WEEKLY

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August 19, 2022

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE/ PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Monday, August 22- Early Childhood first day of school

Tuesday, August 23- *****

Wednesday, August 24- Early dismissal day 2:13pm

Thursday, August 25- Theme Thursday Neon Day-wear neon colors

Friday, August 26- Spirit Day- Wear willow wear or blue and gold



Monday , August 22-Beef & Bean Burrito

Tuesday, August 23-Corn Dog

Wednesday, August 24-Pizza

Thursday, August 25-Chicken Sandwich

Friday, August 26-Hot Dog



Breakfast \$1.60 Reduced Breakfast \$0.30

Lunch \$2.85 Reduced Lunch \$0.40 Milk Only \$0.40



TeacherEase

Welcome to Willow Springs School online student information database, **Teacherease**. Here as parents, you have access to your student's(s'):

- Registration information (for edit and updating contact info)
- Grades
- Attendance
- School meal tracking and billing
- Discipline reports
- Current grades in his or her classes, missing assignments

We hope you will follow the instructions below and begin the important task of keeping track of your student's grades, attendance, school communications and school fees throughout the year.

1. Go to the App store and search : TeacherEase
2. It is free to download. Click GET
3. Type in your email address and password (this will be sent to your e-mail address) If you do not have a password please call Ms.Flores at 708-839- 6828 or email at cflores@willowspringsschool.org . A link will be sent to your email address on file.

Please OPT IN to stay up to date on important messages or calls from Willow Springs School.

Remember to choose your preferred method of contact. You can choose phone calls, email, text messaging or chose all of them. Our automated number is **1-833-712-2713**

****Please add this phone number to your mobile phone as NOT SCAM OR SCAM LIKELY**

WILLOW SPRINGS PUBLIC SCHOOL

DISTRICT 108 • COOK COUNTY

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PRINCIPAL • ALEXANDRA ORELUK

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Date: August 2022

The Illinois Department of Public Health requires the following health information for all children entering Kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grade:

1). **Children entering Kindergarten:**

- A current physical exam and immunization record recorded on the approved State of Illinois form (The Health History section on the back of the physical be completed and signed by a parent or guardian).
- Professional Dental Exam
- Professional Eye Exam

2). **Children entering 2nd grade:** Professional Dental Exam

3). **Children entering 6th:**

- A current physical exam and immunization record recorded on the approved State of Illinois form (The Health History section on the back of the physical be completed and signed by a parent or guardian).
- Professional Dental Exam

NON-COMPLIANCE WILL RESULT IN EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL ON

October 13th, 2022

NO APPOINTMENTS OR EXTENSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND YOUR CHILD WILL NOT QUALIFY FOR ONLINE LEARNING

All forms are located on the District website. Please make your appointments as soon as possible to avoid delays.
Contact me with any questions or concerns.

Lisa Perea MSN, RN, IL PEL-SN, NCSN
Willow Springs D108 School Nurse
Willow Springs School
708-467-3511
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WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL, WHERE A LOVE OF LEARNING GROWS.



Willow Springs Sport Options

Students can choose one sport from each of the four seasons to participate in. 5th grade, 7th grade, and 8th grade are required to have a sports physical to participate in any sports. 6th grade needs a full physical to participate in sports. Please bring a copy of your physical to Nurse Lisa or have your primary doctor fax a copy to the school at (708)839-8399.

Our fall season starts practice the last week of August and goes through mid-October.

Sports:

Girls Basketball

Boys Softball

Co-Ed Cross Country(5th-8th)

Our fall/winter season starts practice mid-October and goes through the second week of January.

Sports:

Boys Basketball

Cheerleading

Our winter season starts practice the third week of January and goes through the second week of March.

Sports:

Girls Volleyball

Our spring season starts practice the third week of March and goes through the first week of May.

Sports:

Girls Softball

Boys Volleyball

Co-Ed Soccer





NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Willow Springs District 108 Board of Education, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the tentative budget for said School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, will be on file and conveniently available for public inspection between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM in the District office which is located at the address listed below. Additionally, this document will be available for review on our district webpage (www.willowsschool.org) under the District 108 heading at the top of the homepage.

Notice is further hereby given that a public hearing on said budget will be held at 6:40 PM, on the 20th day of September 2022, in the library of Willow Springs School in this School District Number 108.

Dated this 18th day of August, 2022, Board of Education of School District 108, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois.

By Micki Bohac
Secretary, WS 108 Board of Education

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Superintendent · Steve Bahn
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July 25, 2022

Child nutrition programs have been essential throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring kids continued to get the nutrition they need. We understand the coming school year will be a significant transition for families as we return to pre-pandemic meal programs with paid, free, and reduced-priced eligibilities for students.

Schools had federal flexibilities during COVID so they could serve all kids free meals. Some of those options expired, so we can no longer serve all meals free anymore. Instead, families will do what they did before COVID. Schools will take applications and use family income to qualify kids for free, reduce-price, or paid meals.

Please complete the attached lunch application and return to Ms.Flores in the main office.

Schools are also facing the same challenges many grocery stores and other places are having with getting all the food and supplies they need. When this happens, school nutrition professionals are doing everything they can to serve healthy meals to your child. Sometimes that means needing to swap out some foods for others because some foods are easier to get. Please be patient with the school nutrition professionals striving to serve our kids. They are committed to making sure our kids get the healthy meals they depend on.

School meals must meet strong nutrition standards, and we are continuing to work hard to serve students the nutritious, delicious meals they need to learn and grow.

Carina Flores
Office Clerk

Nondiscrimination Statement: In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

fax:

(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

email:

program.intake@usda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. **WILLOW SPRINGS SCHOOL** offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **\$1.60** / lunch costs **\$2.85**. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. **Reduced price breakfast is \$0.30 and \$0.40 for reduced lunch.** To apply for free or reduced-price meals, use the Household Eligibility Application, which is enclosed. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application with your student to **MS.FLORES -office clerk**

Your child(ren) may qualify for free or reduced-price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.

**Income Eligibility Guidelines
Effective from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023**

Household Size	Reduced-Price Meals (185% Federal Poverty Guidelines)				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	25,142	2,096	1,048	967	484
2	33,874	2,823	1,412	1,303	652
3	42,606	3,551	1,776	1,639	820
4	51,338	4,279	2,140	1,975	988
5	60,070	5,006	2,503	2,311	1,156
6	68,802	5,734	2,867	2,647	1,324
7	77,534	6,462	3,231	2,983	1,492
8	86,266	7,189	3,595	3,318	1,659
For each additional family member, add	8,732	728	364	336	168

- DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD? No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. Use one Household Eligibility Application for all students in your household per district. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to the school.
- WHO CAN GET FREE MEALS? All children in households receiving benefits from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and/or are foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant also qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please contact your school to see if your child(ren) qualifies.
- WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS? Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown above.
- A MEMBER OF MY HOUSEHOLD RECEIVED SNAP OR TANF BENEFITS. THE SCHOOL SENT A LETTER STATING THAT MY CHILD IS AUTOMATICALLY APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS BASED ON DIRECT CERTIFICATION. DO I NEED TO DO ANYTHING MORE TO ENSURE THAT MY CHILD RECEIVES FREE MEALS? No. You do not need to do anything more to receive free meals for your child. If you have students not listed on the letter, contact the school immediately. If you do not wish to receive the free meals, you should follow the steps outlined in the letter from the school to notify school personnel immediately.
- HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY? Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please contact your school.
- MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
- I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out the enclosed application.
- WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED? Yes. We may also ask you to send written proof.
- IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
- WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to the person listed above.
- MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
- WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE AS MEMBERS OF MY HOUSEHOLD? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
- WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
- WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT? Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application, or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you meant to do so.
- WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY? Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Any additional combat pay resulting from deployment is also excluded from income.
- MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR? To find out how to apply for SNAP, TANF or other assistance benefits, contact your local Department of Human Services office or call (800) 843-6154 (voice) or (800) 447-6404 (TTY).

1. All Household Members (Attach another sheet of paper if necessary.)

Check if Error Prone Application

NAMES OF ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
First, Middle Initial, Last

(for Student only)

(for Student only)
Grade

SNAP OR TANF CASE NUMBER ONLY Skip to Part 4 if you list a SNAP or TANF case number. At least one SNAP/TANF must be provided below. If you receive Medicaid and were not directly certified for free meals, you **MUST** apply based on household size and income.

Check if Foster Child*

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* A foster child is the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court.

2. Homeless, Migrant, Runaway, or Head Start (Categorically eligible)

Homeless Migrant Runaway Head Start

Signature of Your School Homeless Liaison, Migrant Coordinator, or Head Start Director

Date

3. Total Household Gross Income (before deductions) You must tell us how much and how often.

A. NAMES (LIST ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS WITH INCOME)	GROSS INCOME AND HOW OFTEN IT WAS RECEIVED (Example: \$100/month; \$100 /twice a month; \$100/every other week; \$100/week)							
	B. Earnings From Work (Before Deductions)		C. Welfare, Child Support, Alimony		D. Pensions, Retirement, Social Security		E. Worker's Comp., Unemployment, SSI, etc. (All other income)	
	Amount	How often?	Amount	How often?	Amount	How often?	Amount	How often?
i.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
ii.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
iii.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
iv.	\$		\$		\$		\$	
v.	\$		\$		\$		\$	

4. Signature and Social Security Number (Adult must sign)

An adult household member must sign the application. If Part 3 is completed, the adult signing the form must also list the last four digits of his or her social security number or mark the *I do not have a social security number* box.

X X X - X X - _____
Social Security Number

I do not have a social security number.

I certify (promise) all information on this application is true and all income is reported. I understand the school will get Federal funds based on the information I give. I understand school officials may verify (check) the information. I understand if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits and I may be prosecuted.

Date

Printed Name of Adult Household Member

Signature of Adult Household Member

5. Contact Information (Optional)

Work Telephone Number (Include Area Code) Home Telephone Number (Include Area Code) Home Address (Number, Street, City, State, Zip Code)

6. Children's Racial and Ethnic Identities (Optional)

Mark one ethnic identity:

- Hispanic/Latino
 Not Hispanic/Latino

Mark one or more racial identities:

- Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 White American Indian or Alaska Native

– THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS ARE FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY –

INITIAL DETERMINATION

TOTAL INCOME \$ _____ Per: Week Every 2 Weeks Twice a Month Month Year NUMBER IN HOUSEHOLD: _____ CHANGE IN STATUS: _____ Date _____

LEAs must annualize income only when multiple incomes, at varying frequencies, are reported.

Annual Income Conversion Weekly X 52 Every 2 Weeks X 26 Twice a Month X 24 Once a Month X 12

Free based on:

- homeless
 migrant
 runaway
 Head Start

Reduced based on:

- SNAP or TANF
 household's income
 foster child
 household's income

Denied—Reason:

- income too high
 incomplete application
 Non-qualifying SNAP/TANF

Date Withdrawn: _____

Signature of Determining Official _____

Date: _____

Willow Springs Lioness Lions



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**Including a Monetary Raffle and Gift
Baskets**

Sunday, September 25, 2022

8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Willow Springs Community Center
8156 S. Archer Avenue, Willow Springs
Advanced Sale and At-the-Door Tickets
Adult Tickets \$6.00
Children Ages 3-12, \$4.00/Under Age 2, Free
Includes Pancakes, Sausage, Orange Juice & Coffee



**All proceeds will benefit the Community Efforts of
the Willow Springs Lioness Lions Club.**