

# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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## Free School Meal Criteria

Families could qualify for free school meals if meeting the following criteria:-

- Universal Credit; provided there is an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190) as assessed by HMRC
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Universal credit has begun to be rolled out in Derbyshire and will affect all areas of Derbyshire by the end of 2022 – full details are available on Derbyshire County Councils website <https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/social-health/adult-care-and-wellbeing/benefits-debt-and-legal-matters/welfare-benefits/universal-credit/universal-credit.aspx>



Young people aged 16 to 18 who receive the benefits or tax credits in their own right are also entitled to receive free school meals. Even if you meet any or all of the criteria, families will not be eligible if they are claiming Working Tax Credit. You can sign up for free school meals at any time of the year. You or your partner can claim for your children, as long as you live at the same address. You do not have to fill in a separate form for each child, even if they go to different schools. For further information contact the free school meals team on 01629 536400 or 01628 536481