Free Meals Accessible Through Rocketship Washington DC National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program

In Summer 2021, Rocketship Public Charter Schools DC was accepted to participate in the federal Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program for the 2021-2022 school year. This program gives all students daily access to nutritionally balanced meals, providing breakfast and lunch free of charge, through the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program. Rocketship Public Charter Schools DC will also be operating the Seamless Summer Option, which allows us to serve free breakfast and lunch to all families.

During distance learning, parents/guardians may come to their Rocketship school daily (Monday – Friday) to pick up free breakfast and free lunch for your child. Meals can be picked up any time during the school day. If this timing does not work, please prearrange a time to pick up meals with our Business Operations Manager. Be sure to know your child's name, grade, and cohort so we may track how many students we serve.

When students are in the building they will be provided both free breakfast and free lunch in their classroom on a daily basis.

For any questions about school meal operations, please contact Rochelle Bodie, Regional Director of Operations (*rbodie@rsed.org*). For any questions regarding Rocketship Education's National School Lunch and Breakfast Program, please contact Kelly Giampaoli, Compliance Associate (*kgiampaoli@rsed.org*).

Meals at Rocketship are provided by Revolution Foods. For more information, please visit Revolution Food's website at: www.revolutionfoods.com

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