

RUTHERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
ONLINE LUNCH PRE-ORDER PROGRAM
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Dear Parents,

Welcome Back!

We are pleased to continue offering the **Online Lunch Pre-Order Program** through www.payschoolscentral.com. This convenient service allows you to pre-order and pay for your child's lunches and drinks by the month, making the process simpler and more efficient for families.

Once registered, you'll be able to:

- Place and pay for lunch orders
- Select drink options from a drop-down menu
- Review selections and order history

Pricing, Payment Options & Fees:

- 25-26 price for lunch is \$5.95 (drink option included)
- Credit Cards (VISA, MasterCard, Discover, AmEx)
- ACH/E-Check
- Credit Card and transaction fees will be charged at the time of purchase

To Get Started:

1. Visit www.payschoolscentral.com
2. Register your child
3. You'll receive email reminders when it's time to order

Important Dates:

- **Ordering Opens:** Friday, August 22
- **Ordering Closes:** Tuesday, September 2 at 8:00 a.m.
- **First Lunch Service:** Thursday, September 4

Free & Reduced Lunch Info: To qualify for **Free or Reduced Lunch** for the **2025–2026** school year, you **must submit a new application**.

The application form is located on the same page as the lunch ordering link.

- If your child qualified for Free/Reduced Lunch during the **2024–2025** school year, they will receive lunch **only for September 2025**.
- To continue receiving benefits beyond September, a **new application must be submitted before October 1st, 2025**.

↓ **Orders must be placed during the open window. No late orders will be accepted.**
Exceptions apply to new students only.

If you have any questions, please contact the main office at your child's school.

Registering for PaySchools Central for Making Online Payments for Lunch Ordering

Registration is quick and easy; you will need student(s) number, which can be accessed through the Powerschool Parent Portal noted in Demographics/Student Information.

Set up an account at <https://payschoolscentral.com> OR Download the APP

> click REGISTER

For further information/help please see the [PaySchools Central Manual](#) attached.

Step 1: Register

Fill in fields marked with an asterisk > mobile number is recommended as it will reset your password via text if needed > Review and check agreement box > Click Register

Step 2: Confirmation Email

Open email from PaySchools > link is VALID FOR 30 MINUTES > If not activated within 30 minutes- please return to <https://payschoolscentral.com> > click forgot my password to request a new email

Step 3: Confirm Password

Enter email > create and confirm password > click Confirm

Step 4: Add Students

Select and answer three security questions > Click Secure > Add student(s) and/or staff in required fields. A summary screen displays all student's student(s) & staff added. The green circle indicates they're active, the red circle indicates they're inactive. If your student is showing up as inactive, contact your school for assistance. **The Kindergarten Center falls under Lincoln School for lunch ordering and you must select Lincoln School as the school when prompted.**

Step 5: Payment Method

Select Credit/Debit Card, ACH/Check, or Skip and add later

Step 6: Notifications

Receive a consolidated monthly patron meal activity report for all students and staff on your account who had meal activity over last 30 days. Ex: 'Day of Month' set to the 4th; you will receive a consolidated meal report for the past 30 days on 4th of every month. Registration is Complete, Return to the Dashboard.

If you have any questions or issues with the process, please contact Katie Bohn at kbohn@rutherfordschools.org or call 201-438-7675 ext. 1214.



Borough of
RUTHERFORD
Police Department

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

On behalf of the Rutherford Police Department, welcome to the 2025–2026 school year! As we begin another exciting academic year, we ask for your partnership in keeping all Rutherford students safe. Your attentiveness and responsible driving play a vital role in ensuring every child arrives at school and returns home safely.

◆ **Drive with Care:** Please drive slowly near school zones, follow all directions from crossing guards and school staff, and park only in designated areas. Your smart decisions behind the wheel help protect our students and create a safer environment for everyone.

🚗 **Drop-Off Zones Matter:** Always use the designated drop-off zones when bringing students to school. If you're unsure where these zones are located, contact your school for guidance. Dropping students off outside these zones increases the risk of accidents. We understand that delays can occur, but safety takes precedence over speed. A few extra minutes in line is a small price to pay for peace of mind.

⊖ **Parking Enforcement:** Parking regulations will be strictly enforced. Convenience is never an excuse for illegal parking.

- **Yellow curbs mean no parking—ever**, even briefly.
- Students must be dropped off **curbside only**.
- **Do not double park** or allow children to exit vehicles in the roadway. This creates a dangerous situation for both pedestrians and drivers.

⦿ **Follow School Personnel and Traffic Patterns:** Crossing guards and school staff are there to guide traffic and protect students. Please follow their instructions and respect all traffic patterns, cones, and barricades. These measures are in place for everyone's safety—do not drive around them.

⚠️ **Zero Tolerance for Unsafe Behavior:** The Rutherford Police Department maintains a zero-tolerance policy for any actions that endanger student safety. Officers will issue summonses for observed violations.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to student safety. Let's work together to make this school year safe, smooth, and successful for all.

Sincerely,
Officer Anthony Bachmann #85
Traffic Bureau Coordinator

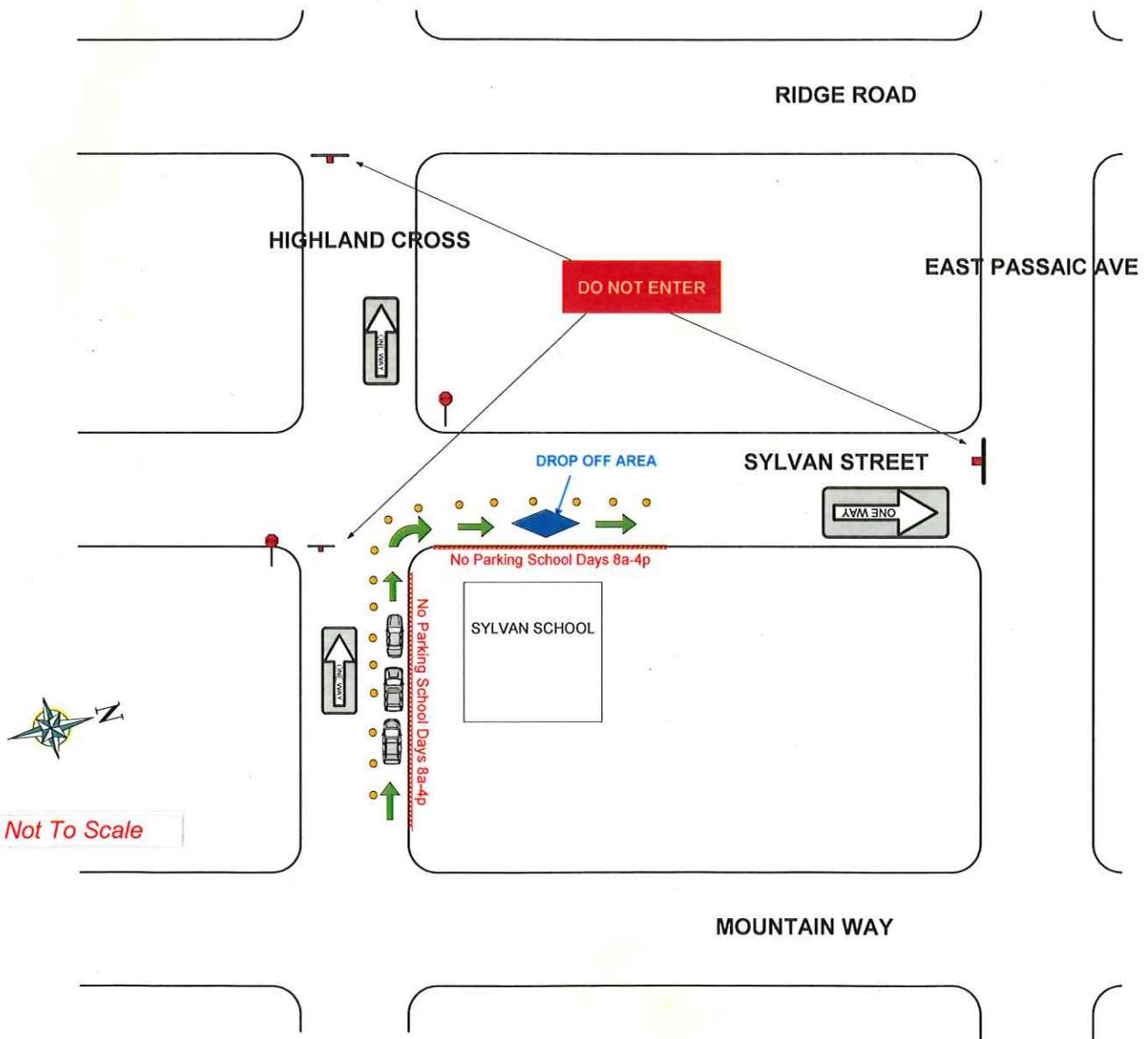


Case Number:

Date:

Location: SYLVAN SCHOOL SURROUNDING AREA

Description: SYLVAN SCHOOL STUDENT DROP OFF



**RUTHERFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Monday, September 1	Schools Closed, Labor Day
Tuesday, September 2	Orientation of Teachers
Wednesday, September 3	Teachers Professional Development Day
Thursday, September 4	Schools Open
	Schools Closed, Columbus Day
Monday, October 13	Teachers Professional Development Day
Tuesday, November 4	Schools Closed, Election Day
Thursday & Friday, Nov. 6, 7	Schools Closed, NJEA Convention
Wednesday, Nov. 26	One-Session Day
Thursday & Friday, Nov. 27, 28	Schools Closed, Thanksgiving
Tuesday, December 23	One-Session Day
December 24 – January 2	Schools Closed, Holiday Recess
Monday, January 5	Schools Reopen
Monday, January 19	Schools Closed, Dr. King's Birthday
Thursday, January 22	One Session Day, Conferences (PreK-6 ONLY)
Friday, January 23	Schools Closed, Conferences (PreK-6 ONLY)
Friday, February 13 & Monday, February 16	Schools Closed, Winter Recess
Friday, April 3	Schools Closed, Good Friday
April 20-24	Schools Closed, Spring Recess
	Schools Closed (Schools will be closed if one or more emergency closing days remain.)
Friday, May 22	
Monday, May 25	Schools Closed, Memorial Day
	Schools Closed (Schools will be closed if two or more emergency closing days remain.)
Tuesday, May 26	
	Schools Closed, NJ Primary Day (TENTATIVE DATE)
Tuesday, June 2	Teachers Professional Development Day
June 17, 18, 19, 22, 23	One-Session Days for Students
Friday, June 19	Union Graduation
Monday, June 22	High School Graduation
	Last Day of School for Students/Teachers
Tuesday, June 23	K-12 Report Cards Issued
NUMBER OF DAYS SCHOOLS ARE IN SESSION	
September: 19	February: 18
October: 22	March: 22
November: 15	April: 16
December: 17	May: 20
January: 19	June: 16
January PreK-6 Only: 18	
	Semester 2 - Total: 92
Semester 1 - Total: 92	
Semester 1 Total PreK-6 Only: 91	Total Days Students 7-12: 184
	Total Days Students PreK-6: 183
	Total Days Faculty: 188

The above calendar is subject to change if deemed necessary by the Board of Education. The Board of Education wishes to apprise all employees, students and parents that any recess period may be utilized for days lost due to inclement weather. Accordingly, the Board advises employees not to make travel plans that are non-refundable during any of these times since school may be in session.