

Jackson County Public Schools Summer Breakfast and Lunch Program

Jackson County Public Schools will be participating in the Seamless Summer Option of the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program. As a part of this program, JCPS will offer healthy meals this summer at NO COST to all enrolled students and children age 18 and younger this summer. Students and all community children age 18 and younger will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a household application.

For more information, you may call Melissa Dooley, Jackson Co. Public Schools Food Service Director, at 606-287-7181.

Meal service(s) will be at the following site(s):

No Meals Served July 4th

LOCATION, DATES, TIMES

Jackson County High School

560 Educational Mtn. Dr. McKee May 31 – June 30 (MTWTF)
Breakfast 8:30 – 9:30 Lunch 10:45 – 12:15

Annville Town & Country Market

4472 Hwy 3630 Annville May 31 – June 30 (MTWTF)
Lunch 11:45 – 12:45

Jackson Valley Apartments

1201 Jackson Valley Apts. McKee May 31 – June 30 (MTWTF)
Lunch 11:45 – 12:15

Rocky Hill Heights

1405 Roberts Court McKee May 31 – June 30 (MTWTF)
Lunch 11:45 – 12:15

Whistle Stop Express

57 Hwy 2004 McKee May 31 – June 30 (MTWTF)
Lunch 11:45 – 12:15

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Gov. Beshear Announces Free ACT Retake Day for Kentucky Public School Students

Frankfort, Ky. (May 26, 2022) – Gov. Andy Beshear today announced that incoming Kentucky high school seniors who have previously taken the ACT will be eligible to take the test a second time for free during a statewide ACT retake day in the Fall of 2022. The announcement follows national data showing students are more likely to increase their score by retaking the test a second time.

The date of the free retake day will be designated by the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) in the Fall of 2022. More information on the date and locations will be provided to local school districts in the coming months.

“This is an education-first administration and our goal is to provide opportunities for Kentucky’s kids to succeed in their goals of a post-secondary education,” said Gov. Beshear. “Research shows that by retaking the ACT, students are more likely to raise their score, which allows them to pursue more scholarships. With the best budget in 25 years, this is a chance for us to remove barriers for our students and help them achieve a brighter future.”

The ACT is the admissions exam used by the Kentucky Department of Education to measure a student’s level of readiness for college in core academic content areas, including English, mathematics, reading and science. The current price for the ACT in Kentucky is \$37 for online testing and \$38 for paper-based testing.

“The cost of taking the ACT can be a barrier for many of our students, especially if they want to take it a second time to improve their scores,” said Kentucky Department of Education Commissioner Jason E. Glass. “This is a great opportunity for those who choose to take part and we appreciate Gov. Beshear making this a priority for Kentucky students.”

In addition to boosted scores, the ACT retake opportunity is expected to increase the number of students pursuing a post-secondary education.

Frankfort High School junior Ella Luking: “As a student, I know that I was a lot more comfortable when I took the ACT for the second time. Because so much of your result is based on understanding how to take the test, and knowing what to expect, it’s reassuring to have two chances to do your best. By giving us another opportunity to take the test, Kentucky can both cut our stress in half, and double our chances of success.”

Research has shown that students from across the country were impacted by disruptions from the pandemic, which negatively impacted ACT scores. An additional test has been found to result in an increased score and a better outcome for students.

The ACT Academy also provides free resources to help students prepare for the test, as well as accommodations for students with an Individual Education Program (IEP) and support for English Learners (ELs).

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UNITE offering 5 free regional basketball skills camps with Jarrod Polson

Operation UNITE is offering five regional Shoot Hoops Not Drugs basketball skills camps across southern and eastern Kentucky this summer.

All school-aged youth are invited to participate in these free camps, which last from 4 pm to 7 pm. Camps will be conducted:

- Monday, June 6, at Sebastian Elementary School in Jackson (Breathitt County).
- Monday, June 13, at Johnson Central High School in Paintsville (Johnson County).
- Tuesday, June 14, at McCreary County Middle School in Stearns (McCreary County).
- **Thursday, June 16, at Jackson County High School in McKee (Jackson County).**
- Monday, June 20, at Harlan County High School in Baxter (Harlan County).

Former University of Kentucky point guard and four-time All-SEC Academic Team member Jarrod Polson – who was part of the 2011-12 National Championship squad – will lead each of these camps.

Participants are urged to arrive 30 minutes early for registration. (There is no advance registration.)

For safety and comfort while participating, youth are asked not to wear open-toe shoes or sandals.

Participants will receive a free event T-shirt, regulation-sized signature basketball, and be entered into a drawing for two portable basketball goals given away at the conclusion of each camp. (You must be present to win.) Food and water are provided.

Presented by the Kentucky National Guard, Shoot Hoops Not Drugs camps are fun, interactive, and provide a safe, drug-free summer activity. Youth will interact with positive role models while learning fundamental basketball skills. Polson relates these fundamentals to situations participants face later in life – maintaining a healthy lifestyle, listening, teamwork, effort, and living with the consequences for making poor choices.

In addition, parents and guardians will have an opportunity to attend a brief UNITE-sponsored education program about the dangers posed by vaping. Information on the signs, symptoms and dangers posed by prescription drugs will also be provided.

Polson, a native of Wilmore, Kentucky, went from a walk-on to a scholarship athlete before his freshman year at UK even began. Over his four years at UK, Polson played in 94 games scoring a total of 140 points with a .424 field goal percentage (.313 three-point percentage).

Since 2006, UNITE has conducted 90 Shoot Hoops Not Drugs basketball camps drawing 11,836 youth participants representing 63 Kentucky counties, 20 other states and two other countries. More than 2,600 parents/caregivers and other adults have attended the educational awareness sessions.

Helping make the 2022 Shoot Hoops Not Drugs camps possible are:

GOLD Sponsors: Appalachian Regional Healthcare, Appalachian Wireless, Citizens Bank & Trust Company of Jackson, Don Franklin Family of Dealerships, Kentucky River Regional Prevention Center, Outdoor Venture Corporation, and People’s Rural Telephone Company.

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For more information about Shoot Hoops Not Drugs or other Operation UNITE initiatives, please visit their website at www.operationunite.org.

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