# \*\*Free Supplemental Food Program\*\*



Feeding Area Children Together, a non-profit founded by four ISD742 parents, will be offering our FACT Packs program again this year. FACT Packs are provided **free of charge** to <u>K-5</u> students who are in need of food on weekends and over school breaks. This is **NOT** a government program; all food and supplies are paid for by donations from individuals, foundations, and businesses. All information is confidential.

Signing up for the FACT Pack program means your child will receive a child-friendly, non-perishable breakfast, lunch and snack each day school is not in session during the 2019-2020 school year. All bags are placed DISCREETLY into your child's backpack on Fridays or the day prior to school break.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Your child(ren) are eligible for this program if they are in grades K-5 and you are not financially able to provide enough food for them.

# **TERMS OF ENROLLMENT**

- I enroll the child(ren) listed below for the 2019-2020 school year.
- I understand that I may start or stop receiving FACT Packs at any point during the school year.
- The FACT Packs Program has my permission to contact the school to confirm food allergies.
- I understand that enrollment in the FACT Pack program may be discontinued if my child(ren) refuses to bring the food packs home or if they eat the food at school or on the school bus.

**Contact:** The school office or email info@stcloudfact.org with questions.

FACT Packs is an initiative of Feeding Area Children Together. Find us at stcloudfact.org or on Facebook at Feeding Area Children Together.

### DETACH HERE and RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR SCHOOL'S OFFICE

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	PLE	ASE PRINT NEATLY. CO	OMPLETE ONE	FORM PER HOUSEHOL	.D	
Parent/Guar	dian Name(s)					
<b>Home Street</b>	Address:					
City:		P		Phone:		
Email						
-	a child enrolled in FACT ollment Information - If				very Lincoln N	Madison
	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Teacher	Food Allergies/Diet Restrictions (Must be on file with school)	Has Received FACT Packs in the past?
Child 1						YES / NO
Child 2						YES / NO
Child 3						YFS / NO

By signing this form, I am agreeing to the terms and eligibility criteria listed above.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date



# FREE SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM

**What are FACT Packs?** FACT Packs are one-gallon sized bags containing a child-friendly, non-perishable breakfast, lunch and snack for each day school is not in session. It is **DISCREETLY** placed into the backpack of each participating student on Friday or last day of school before break. FACT Packs are intended for students experiencing hunger outside of school.



# **Example Pack**

2 Breakfast: Cereal & Oatmeal

2 Lunches: Easy Mac & green beans, Pizza Roll-up (cheese stick,

marinara sauce, and tortilla) and applesauce

2 Snacks: Pudding cup & sunflower kernels, Goldfish crackers & raisins





**Who is eligible?** Any K-5 student can receive FACT Packs if they are experiencing hunger outside of school. <u>FACT does NOT receive government funding.</u> We do not verify income. Students do NOT need to qualify for free or reduced priced lunch. We do not share information outside of FACT.

**What if a child has a food allergy or dietary restriction?** All FACT Packs are peanut-safe and pork-free. We will make every effort to accommodate a student's particular needs so long as it is on file with the school nurse.

**Will others know that a child receives FACT Packs?** It is extremely important that all FACT Packs are distributed as discreetly as possible.

**How can a child receive FACT Packs?** Parents can fill out an enrollment form which can be found in the school office or at https://www.stcloudfact.org/enrollment

What if more students enroll than available spots? If the number of enrollment forms submitted by September 6<sup>th</sup> exceeds the available FACT Packs, forms will be placed in a lottery per our waitlist procedure. The forms will be drawn on September 10<sup>th</sup> and families will be notified of their status on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Waitlisted students will be added as FACT packs become available. If a family has more than one child, all children will be added at the same time.

**Can a student start or stop in the middle of the year?** Enrollment can start or stop at any time. Or, any number of times during the school year. To cancel, contact the school office, text FACT at 320-281-9572 or email info@stcloudfact.org.

**Is every child in a family eligible?** More than one child in a family may receive FACT Packs as long as they are a student at a school we serve. 2019-20 schools are: Madison, Discovery, North Jr. High, Lincoln & Talahi (launching October 2019).

FACT Packs, FACT Pantry, and FACT Break Box are initiatives of Feeding Area Children Together, a qualified 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Learn more at stcloudfact.org or on Facebook at Feeding Area Children Together (@stcloudfact)