

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Free Breakfast and Lunch - Seamless Summer Option Program**

Stroud Region Open Space & Recreation Commission (SROSRC) is partnering with the East Stroudsburg Area School District and the Stroudsburg Area School District to provide a free seamless summer food program.

Under the PA Department of Education, the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) program allows schools who participate in the School Nutrition Program to sponsor free meals for children during the summer. Children can continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. All meals and snacks meet federal nutrition standards of the required servings of grains, proteins, fruits and vegetables, and milk.

Free breakfast and lunch will be served to children in the general public, including StroudKids campers ages 18 and under at Dansbury Park and the Stroudsburg Borough Park pavilion (behind the Stroudsburg Borough Pool within the Stroudsburg School District complex). This service is sponsored by the East Stroudsburg Area School District (ESASD) food service.

In the 2016-2017 school year, ESASD served 10,261 breakfasts and 16,149 lunches at multiple sites including Dansbury Park\* (SROSRC host). "It has been a successful program that has been implemented for the past two years at Dansbury Park including our StroudKids campers and the general public, and we wanted to expand this service into our Stroudsburg community", commented Sherry Acevedo, Executive Director, Stroud Region Open Space & Recreation Commission.

The meals will be provided Monday – Friday starting after the school year ends. A menu and food service dates will be distributed by on Facebook (SROSRC) and [www.srosrc.org](http://www.srosrc.org), when it becomes available.

*"We are pleased that our students will benefit from a local summer lunch program! Nutrition is critical not only for physical growth and development, but also for academic growth and well-being. We sincerely appreciate SROSRC and ESASD support for this opportunity!" by Dr. Cosmos Curry, Superintendent, Stroudsburg Area School District*

*"We are proud to work in partnership with our school districts to provide essential meals for our youth in the Stroud Region" by Sherry Acevedo, Executive Director, SROSRC*

\*Summer Food Service Program Reports source <http://www.education.pa.gov>

StroudKids Camp Registration is now open! More information is available at  
[www.srosrc.org/camps.php](http://www.srosrc.org/camps.php)

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