



Plumsted Township School District

Economic Toolkit

New Egypt School's Commitment

New Egypt High School is committed to ensuring that all of our students, regardless of the economic conditions in our geographic area, are provided with all necessary resources to succeed. We are also committed to ensuring that each student is able to fully participate in New Egypt's co-curricular activities regardless of economic status. **We encourage all families that are eligible to apply for participation in the federal free and reduced lunch program.**

Participation in this program not only provides your student with a free or reduced cost breakfast and lunch, but also determines their eligibility for SAT, ACT, AP and college application fee waivers.

Accordingly, we have prepared this toolkit of resources that are available to our students and families:

Free and Reduced Lunch

New Egypt High School participates in the federal free and reduced lunch program. Families may apply for participation in this program at any time during the year if their economic status has changed. Program eligibility is based upon the current month's family income including unemployment benefits and severance. A family's income in the months prior to the date of unemployment is not considered. Below is a link to New Egypt High School's free and reduced lunch program application.

[Free and Reduced Lunch Application](#)

For a confidential appointment with a member of New Egypt High School's staff to discuss eligibility for free and reduced lunch, please contact Mrs. Joann Holman at (609) 758-6800 x 4201 or at holmanj@newegypt.us. You do not need an appointment in order to apply to this program. If you do not apply now and your circumstances change, please do not hesitate to apply at a later date. **

Completed applications should be sent to the attention of Mrs. Joann Holman. You may also send a signed and scanned copy of the application to Mrs. Holman at holmanj@newegypt.us or drop-off a signed and completed application at any school Main Office to be forwarded to Mrs. Holman.

Please be assured that there is no stigma to receiving free and reduced lunch. Once a student is approved, s/he will simply let the cashier know his/her student number when purchasing food. Because we permit all students to pre-fund school lunch accounts, many students, regardless of their payment status, purchase meals by this method.

***In the event that your student is not eligible for free and reduced lunch and would like to be considered for a hardship waiver for New Egypt High School sponsored programs and events, please make an appointment with Mrs. Joann Holman at (609) 758-6800 x 4201 or at holmanj@newegypt.us.*

College Testing

The SAT, ACT and other aptitude or achievement testing is often a prerequisite to applying for colleges and universities. The College Board (the sponsor of the SAT and SAT II tests) and the ACT have fee waivers available for those that meet certain guidelines, including receipt of free and reduced lunch. Below are links to information and applications for both SAT and ACT fee waivers.

[SAT Fee Waiver](#)

<http://sat.collegeboard.org/register/sat-fee-waivers>

[ACT Fee Waiver](#)

<http://www.actstudent.org/fag/feewaiver.html>

In addition, the College Board permits students who have received testing fee waivers, to send their SAT scores to up to four colleges/universities free of charge. This process is also explained via the link provided above for the [SAT Fee Waiver](#).

College Applications

Almost every college and university permits students that meet certain eligibility requirements the ability to apply without payment of an application fee. These requirements are unique to each college and university. Information regarding college application fee waivers is also explained via the FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) link below.

[FAQ College Application Fee Waiver](#)

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-in/applying-101/college-application-fee-waivers>

Apply to College for Free (*The College Board*)

If you apply to more than one or two colleges – and you should! – the application fees can really add up. For eligible students, the College Board is providing four college application fee waivers. Many four-year and two-year colleges accept application waivers – [view a list of schools](#) that participate in the college application fee waiver process, or use our [online search tool](#).

If you registered for the SAT with a fee waiver, then you're automatically eligible to receive the college application fee waivers. To learn more about college application fee waivers – details about eligibility requirements, how to use fee waivers with the Common App, and more – check out our [college application fee waiver FAQs](#).

Save money with college application fee waivers, then register with [CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE®](#) to apply for financial aid.

The Common Application is a not-for-profit membership organization that is committed to providing reliable services that promote equity, access, and integrity in the college application process. The Common Application serves students, member institutions, and secondary schools by providing applications that students and school officials may submit to any of over 500 member institutions. Membership is open to colleges and universities that promote access by evaluating students using a holistic selection process. A link to The Common Application is provided below.

[Common Application](#)

<https://www.commonapp.org/Login>

Financial Aid resources and links provided by **The Common Application**:

FAFSA: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid: a required form for any student seeking need-based financial aid. <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Office of Federal Student Aid: A resource of the US Department of Education. Learn about different types of financial aid and how to apply for them. <http://studentaid.ed.gov/>

NASEAA: The National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. More than 18,000 student financial assistance professionals at approximately 3,000 institutions of higher education, serving over 16 million students. Offering extensive resources for students and parents. http://www.nasfaa.org/students/About_Financial_Aid.aspx

Financial Aid Night at New Egypt High School

Every year, the NEHS Guidance department holds an informative Financial Aid Night, providing parents an opportunity to learn about options available for financial aid and information regarding the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)*.

Scholarships

All of our students and their families are affected by the high cost of post-secondary education. Students may be eligible for various scholarships to help defray some or all of these costs. Many, but not all scholarships, are need based. Students may be eligible based upon their overall grades or grades in a particular subject, community involvement, athletic ability, co-curricular interests, etc. **It is imperative that students apply early and often for various scholarship opportunities.** New Egypt High School utilizes the *Naviance Family Connection* portal to assist students and their families in planning and preparing for college. Below is the link to the *Naviance Family Connection* portal. Once logged in to *Naviance*, click or select the College tab and scroll down to review local and national scholarship opportunities. In addition to the scholarships offered through *Naviance*, students should check other on-line resources and the scholarships available from their desired colleges and universities.

[Naviance Login](#)

<https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=newegypt>

Advanced Placement (AP) Testing

Students enrolled in an Advanced Placement course receiving free and reduced lunch are automatically exempt from payment for Advanced Placement (AP) exams. If you do not qualify for free and reduced lunch, but are concerned about paying for an Advanced Placement examination, please contact Mrs. Katina George at (609) 758-6800 x 1400 or via email at contact_georgek@newegypt.us.

Transcripts

New Egypt High School will provide an unlimited number of transcripts free of charge to colleges and universities for all of our current and former students. In addition, if a current or former student needs a transcript for purposes of scholarship or employment, New Egypt High School will provide them free of charge. Please Mrs. Kim DiGangi at (609) 758-6800 x. 1408 or via email at digangik@newegypt.us in the event that you need a transcript printed.

Academic Tutoring

New Egypt High School students that are concerned about their academic performance or are struggling in a class or classes can sign-up for free National Honor Society tutoring in the high school's library. NHS tutoring is provided by members of our National Honor Society. In addition, students that are concerned about their academic performance should contact and seek assistance from their teachers.

Every Child, Everyday, Whatever it Takes

***If you would like additional information on various testing programs, the best time for students to take these aptitude and achievement tests, and/or to discuss completion of the fee waiver forms, please make an appointment with your student's guidance counselor.*

Special Assistance for New Egypt High School Events & Activities

New Egypt High School is committed to ensuring that all of our students are able to participate in the Warrior experience. Students and their families may request special assistance due to financial hardship for attendance at our sporting events, participation in field trips, or any other programs or New Egypt High School events. To request special assistance, please contact Mrs. Joann Holman at (609) 758-6800 ext. 4201 or via e-mail at holmanj@newegypt.us.

Social Services

New Egypt High School's Guidance Counselors, Social Workers, School Psychologists, and Student Assistance Counselor (SAC) are available to assist all of our students, including those who may be experiencing anxiety as a result of transitions due to changes in their parents/guardians employment status. For an appointment or referral please contact Mrs Kim DiGangi at (609) 758-6800 ext. 1408 or via email at digangiK@newegypt.us.

Crisis Help Line for Youth- 888-222-2228 www.2ndfloor.org

Help for any crisis, call NJ 2-1-1 all day, everyday at **877-652-1148** or visit the website at www.nj211.org.

NJ Youth and Family Services 732-901-4198 or 1-866-544-9197

Counseling and Substance Abuse – Preferred Behavioral Health 732-367-4700 www.preferredbehaviorial.org

Other Family Assistance

- NJ Family Care for Health Insurance 1-800-701-0710 or visit the website at www.njfamilycare.org
- Energy Assistance NJ SHARES' Assistance
- Energy assistance 1-866-657-4273
- Verizon NJ Lifeline 1-888-337-3339
- Water Assistance 1-888-942-8080
- The *NJ Dental Association Donated Dental Services* is designed to help uninsured and underinsured county residents save money on their dental service expenses. Please contact them at 732-821-1082 or www.njda.org for more information. You can also call the Ocean Health Initiatives, Inc. at 732-363-6655 in Lakewood or 732-552-0377 in Toms River for dental services.

Local Food Pantries are open on a weekly basis for families in need of food. Please contact Joann Holman at 609-758-6800 ext 4201 for information on pantry locations or hours.