## March 17, 2020

We are pleased to announce that the District has received authorization from the state to serve meals to students impacted by school closures due to COVID-19. This program allows the district to set up a "grab and go" system to distribute cold lunch and breakfast meals to students free of charge.

Meals will be available at two sites in town. Students will receive a bagged lunch for that day, and a bagged breakfast for the next day. **Starting tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18th**, meals will be distributed Monday-Friday at **The Morgan School** and at the **Pierson School** building. Meals must be consumed off site. These meals contain perishable food items and are intended to be consumed or refrigerated immediately.

Morgan and Pierson will distribute meals from 11:00am - 12:30pm Monday through Friday.

Families can <u>drive up</u> or <u>students/families</u> can walk up to the distribution area (Pierson bus door and Morgan back bus loop) and receive their meals. According to the requirements of State approval, meals may be served to all children 18 years and under in the household if at least one child attends a Clinton Public School. Therefore, please note that meals can only be distributed to students and their siblings under 18 years of age. *Only one student needs to be present and they can be given enough meals for each sibling living in the home.* 

<u>All</u> Clinton Public Schools students are eligible for this program even if they have never purchased or received a school lunch.

This is a difficult time for our families and students as the normal rhythms of school, work, and life are disrupted. We hope that all families will consider taking advantage of this opportunity and program provided free of charge to ease the burden and allow the schools to connect and provide a service to our students.

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