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Lunch is served!

The Allentown Public Library is pleased to announce that it is participating once again in the *Healthy Kids, Healthy Allentown Summer Anti-Hunger Initiative!* Any child through the age of 18 can enjoy a FREE and healthy lunch at the Library each Monday through Friday, from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM.

Healthy Kids, Health Allentown is an annual City-wide partnership coordinated by the Allentown Health Bureau and is designed to provide Allentown's children access to healthy food during the summer months. This is especially important for those children who might otherwise only eat at school. Funding for the program is provided by the *National League of Cities*, along with the *Food Research and Action Center* and the *Walmart Foundation*. Meals are provided through the Allentown School District (ASD) and the *Summer Food Service Program*, a federally funded program operated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Free meals are available at the Allentown Public Library through August 4, as well as at many other locations throughout the City, including playgrounds, summer school programs and community centers - locations where children congregate during the summer. Meal sites often offer fun

activities such as games, or arts and crafts along with the summer meals *at no charge*.

The Allentown Public Library welcomes students in the Allentown School District to attend the meals program, especially on Fridays, when school buildings are closed due to ASD summer hours. The library has some exciting events occurring to complement the free meals. Events include nature and science programs, special guest story times, messy Mondays, and so much more!

For a full list of activities follow the library on social media or visit their website at www.allentownpl.org.

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