



Foodoodle Gives Mealime Families a Free Place to Land

Free browser-based family meal planning; no app download, no credit card, no trial clock during beta

TULSA, Okla. — With the Mealime meal-planning app shutting down October 21, Foodoodle today opened its shared family meal planning platform as a free landing place for the households Mealime leaves behind. The browser-based platform is free during beta: no app download, no credit card, no trial clock.

Mealime's closing notice says the app shuts down October 21 and that users' personal data will be deleted; its recipes move to parent company Albertsons' Meals Hub. Mealime's Google Play listing invites users to join over 5,000,000 people who have used the app.

"Families shouldn't have to start over every time an app they depend on disappears," said Jonathan Duhon, founder of Foodoodle. "The hard part was never the cooking — it's the deciding, every single night. We built the shared place where that decision lives: the recipes you already love, the plan everyone can see, and a grocery list that knows what's in your kitchen."

Foodoodle puts the week's meals, the grocery list, and the household's favorite recipes where everyone can see them. Every member votes from their phone; one planner makes the final call. Setup takes about ten minutes. The weekly plan takes about four.

Households save recipes from any link or scan cookbook pages — Foodoodle starts from what a family already cooks, not a recipe library. The grocery list builds itself from the week's meals, minus what's already in the house, grouped by store aisle. Snap the receipt and items tick off. Allergy and restriction conflicts are flagged, with a one-tap swap — a helper, not a guarantee.

Foodoodle also works through the AI assistants families already talk to. Using MCP — the open standard connecting assistants like ChatGPT and Claude to the apps people use — a household can plan the week in plain words: "what's for dinner this week," "add oat milk to the grocery list." Connect at foodoodle.com/assistants. The assistant inherits the signed-in member's household permissions: it sees what they see, nothing more.

Foodoodle runs entirely in the browser on iPhone, Android, and desktop, and can be added to a phone's home screen. No app-store download. Kids join through managed profiles; no accounts needed.

About Foodoodle

Founded by Jonathan Duhon, Foodoodle is a software company from Pensy Group on a mission to end the 5 PM dinner debate. Its browser-based family meal planner gives households one shared place for recipes, weekly meal plans, and grocery lists — with family voting, pantry-aware lists grouped by aisle, and receipt snap-to-check-off. It also works with the AI assistants families already use, including ChatGPT and Claude. Free during beta at foodoodle.com.

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