Policy Title: Eligibility for Free or Reduced Cost Meals

Students enrolled and attending school in the school district, who are unable to afford the special milk program, the cost of a portion of the cost of the school lunch, breakfast, and/or supplemental foods, will be provided the school food program services at no cost or at a reduced cost.

It is the responsibility of the building principal or the principal's designee to determine if a student qualifies for free or reduced cost school food services. Free or reduced cost meals shall be provided to those students whose parents or guardians are unable to pay for the cost of the meals subject to federal, state, and local requirements. Students, whom the principal believes are improperly nourished, will not be denied the school food program services simply because the proper documentation has not been completed.

Students who participate in free or reduced price meal programs will not be distinguished in any way from students who pay the regular price and care will be taken to protect the anonymity of these students. Their names will not be made known to any person except such staff member or members as needed to make the special arrangements for them.

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