

**FREE AND REDUCED PRICE LUNCH POLICY**

In accordance with federal regulations, the School District shall make available to all children of low economic means and children of moderate income families experiencing financial difficulties free or reduced-priced breakfast and lunches through the School Lunch Program in the local schools.

Parents who believe their children are eligible may acquire an application for free or reduced-priced meals at any building office and returning it to them. All applications will be reviewed by one Approving Official as requested by the State Department of Education. A determination will be made after our District Approving Official has reviewed the application. Determination shall be based on State regulated financial guidelines. Parents may appeal a negative determination to the Superintendent of Schools and the School Board.

The procedure for securing confidentiality regarding free and reduced status is in place. To assure privacy, lunches will be tracked by the distribution of lunch tickets, tokens, or the roster system. The method is to be decided upon and is to be approved at the state level before implemented.

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