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8531 - FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of good nutrition to each student's educational performance.

Children, eligible for free or reduced-price meals, shall be determined by the criteria established by the Child Nutrition Program and National School Lunch Act. These criteria are issued annually by the Federal government through the State Department of Education.

The Board designates the Director of Food Service to determine in accordance with Board standards, the eligibility of students for free and reduced-price meals.

The schools shall annually notify all families of the availability, eligibility requirements, and application procedure for free and reduced-price meals by distributing an application to the family of each student enrolled in the school and shall seek out and apply for such Federal, State, and local funds as may be applied to the District's program of free and reduced-price meals.

The Superintendent shall prepare and implement the necessary arrangements and guidelines to ensure proper operation of this program. S/He shall ensure that the appropriate policy attachments for Free and Reduced-Price Meals or Free Milk are properly completed and submitted for approval to the School Food Service Division of the State Department of Education by the beginning of each school year.

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