

Free or Reduced-Price Meals

In accordance with the National School Lunch and Breakfast Agreement between the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the District, free or reduced-price meals shall be offered without discrimination to eligible children in the participating schools. . Eligibility for free or reduced-price meals is determined by the Supervisor of Food and Nutrition Services after review of submitted applications in accordance with Regulation 5440.

The eligibility standards to be used in determining those who qualify for free or reduced-price meals will be in accordance with established Federal and State minimum income poverty guidelines as supplied to the District by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

A family whose application is denied, in whole or in part, may appeal to the designated District official on the appropriate form. Such family shall provide supporting reasons why it believes its children meet the minimum eligibility criteria for either free or reduced-price meals.

The Superintendent shall promulgate regulations that:

1. Promote awareness of the free or reduced-price meal program in a manner reasonably targeted to potentially eligible participants;
2. Establish an application process for eligibility which meets the criteria of this Policy; and
3. Designates the individuals responsible for implementing this Policy.

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