

WHAT IS CEP.....

It is a program that provides local schools in low-income areas with an alternative approach for operating the school meal program.

With the CEP program the school does not need to collect lunch applications for free or reduced meals from qualifying schools, instead will use other means including the supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Temporary Assistance Program for Needy Families (TANF) to determine the level of Federal funding for the school meal program. This is why it is very important for families to apply for assistance if you feel you may qualify and to report it to the school lunch program if you qualify by filling out a lunch application.



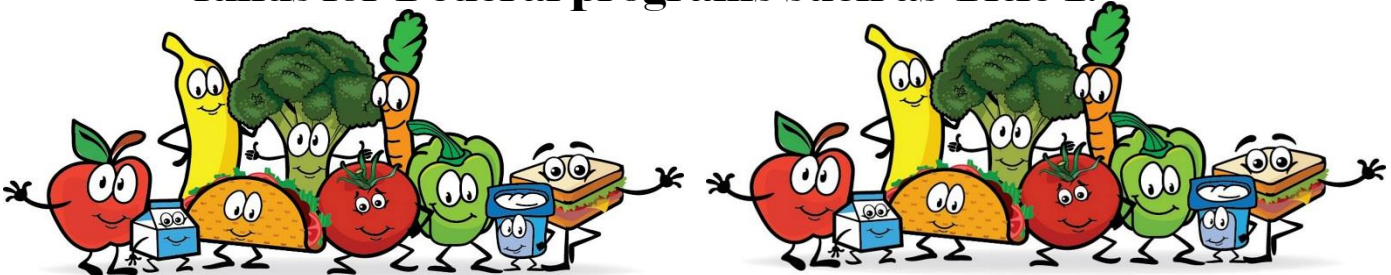


What does CEP do.....

- ✓ **Allows schools located in low-income areas to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students**
- ✓ **Eliminates the burden to collecting household applications to determine eligibility for school meal programs**

Who benefits? Everyone!

- ✓ **Students**
Access to free nutritious meals for all students, no stigma, and less time spent in cashier lines and more to eat nutritious meals
- ✓ **Parents**
No application for qualifying school
- ✓ **School Staff**
Streamline meal service and more time for students to consume their food
- ✓ **Administration/School District**
Reduced paperwork and administrative costs, no need to track unpaid meal charges, improved program integrity, and more nourished students ready to learn and grow. In addition programs like CEP help drive funds for Federal programs such as Title I.





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