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FREE AND REDUCED PRICE FOOD SERVICES

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Legal References: Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42 U.S.C. § 1771, *et seq.*; Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232g; National School Lunch Act, 42 U.S.C. 1751, *et seq.*; G.S. 115C-263, -264

Cross References: 6.2000 Goals of Child Nutrition

The school system will provide free meals and reduced price meals to eligible students in the schools.

The principal shall make applications for free or reduced price meals readily available to parents or guardians and shall accept completed applications at any time during the school year.

In accordance with the guidelines for participation in these programs, and in accordance with the wishes of the board, no student who meets the criteria for eligibility for free and reduced meal benefits will be denied a reimbursable meal simply because the proper application has not been received from his/her parent or guardian.

The information provided on each application is confidential. Employees with access to this confidential information must make reasonable efforts to maintain the anonymity of students participating in the free or reduced price meal program. Confidential information may be shared according to current federal policy or regulation.

The superintendent shall establish procedures that conform with state and federal requirements regarding participation in programs for free and reduced meal benefits.