



Fueling Student Achievers

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

Background: Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act 2010



- Provides an alternative to household applications for free and reduced price meals
- Offers all students free meals in high poverty local education agencies (LEA) and schools



Implementation



- Phased in over a period of 3 years in limited number of States selected by USDA Food and Nutrition Service
- Available nationwide July 2014



Requirements for Participation



- Have a minimum of 40% identified students in the school year prior to implementing CEP

$$\frac{\text{Identified Direct Certification Students}}{\text{Total Enrolled Students}} \times 100 \geq 40\%$$

- Serve free lunches and breakfasts to all students
- Household applications for free and reduced price meals are not collected



Election of Provision



- All schools in LEA
- Group of schools
- Individual school



Process



- Identified student percentage (ISP) multiplied by a factor of 1.6 equals the percent of total meals served that will be reimbursed at the Federal free rate
- The remaining percent of total meals served is reimbursed at the Federal paid rate

Annual Percentage Selection: 2nd, 3rd & 4th year



- ISP from immediately preceding school year; or
- The year prior to the first year of participating in CEP (original ISP)



Benefits of CEP



- Serve free breakfast and lunch
- No meal benefits applications
- Reduced chance of overt identification and stigma
- No charging issues





CEP Schools



Bellview Elementary

Bellview Middle

Brentwood Elementary

Camelot

Ensley Elementary

Escambia Charter

Ferry Pass Elementary

Global Learning Academy

Holm Elementary

Jacqueline Harris Pyramid

Jim Allen Elementary

Judy Andrews

Lincoln Park Elementary

Longleaf Elementary

McMillan Pre-K Center

Montclair Elementary

Myrtle Grove Elementary

Navy Point Elementary

Oakcrest Elementary

Pine Forest High

Pleasant Grove Elementary

Semmes Elementary

Sherwood Elementary

Warrington Elementary

Warrington Middle

Weis Elementary

West Pensacola Elementary

Westgate Center

Woodham Middle

Workman Middle



Notes for Schools



- Students will continue to use the point of sale with appropriate identifiers
- Designee in front office will continue to use New & Needy Form
- Discourage parents from putting money on student accounts (ex. a la carte)
- Students transferring in from CEP schools will need to complete application ASAP





Additional Information - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/community-eligibility-provision>

