

FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS – FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS

The Governing Board recognizes that adequate nutrition is essential to child development and learning and that some families may be unable to provide breakfast and lunch for their children. In accordance with law, the district shall provide free and reduced price meals for students whose families meet federal eligibility criteria.

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend for Board approval a plan which ensures that eligible students are not treated differently from other students or easily identified by their peers.

In accordance with the law, the Board authorizes designated employees to use individual records pertaining to student participation in any free and reduced price meal program solely for the purpose of:

1. Disaggregation of academic achievement data
2. Identification of students eligible for school choice and supplemental educational services in any school identified for program improvement.

The Board further authorizes the release of information on the school lunch program application to the local agency that determines Medi-Cal program eligibility, provided that the student is approved for free meals and the parent/guardian consents to the sharing of information as provided by Education Code 49557.2.

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