**July 3, 2023**

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that the **All St. Bernard Parish Schools** will be implementing a new option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for School Year 2023-2024.

**What does this mean for you and your children attending the St. Bernard Parish Public schools?**

Great news for you and your students! **All enrolled students of the St. Bernard Parish Public School**s are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **no charge** to your household each day of the 2023-2024 school year. No further action is required of you. Your student (s) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a meal application. However, students who wish to purchase extra meal items such as milk ($0.50), juice ($0.50), extra entrees ($1.00), extra sides ($0.50) or bottled water ($1.00) will be required to pay for the items at the time of purchase. Extra sale items may not be charged.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at the St. Bernard Parish School Board Food Services Office, 200 East St. Bernard Highway, Chalmette, Louisiana 70043 or by calling (504) 301-2000*.*

Sincerely,

*Michael Morel*

*St. Bernard Parish School Board Food Services Manager*

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