



Karns City Area School District

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KARNS CITY, PA, 16041

(724) 756-2030

November 20, 2023

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Karns City Area School District will be implementing a new provision known as the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). This program is available to schools and districts that are participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs as a recent change implemented by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Effective December 1, 2023, all enrolled students of Karns City Area School District are eligible to receive a nutritional breakfast and lunch each school day at **no charge** to your household. Please note that this only applies to the regular breakfast or lunch served. Funds will still need to be deposited into your child's meal account for a la carte items, seconds, and additional purchases. Also, if your child's meal account does not have a positive balance as of November 30, 2023, you will still be responsible to pay the outstanding balance.

Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without paying a fee or submitting an application. This will be in effect until the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us by email at metzfoods@kcasdk12.org or by calling 724-756-2030, Ext. 1015.

Sincerely,

Don Ras
Director of Food Services

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at:

<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. **mail:**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:**
program.intake@usda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

ATTENTION: If you speak Spanish, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Contact your child's school.
ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Comuníquese con la escuela de su niño.