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To: Covington Elementary School Families

From: CCSC Administration

Re: 2025-2026 School Meal Costs

Covington Community School Corporation was excited to be able to offer breakfasts and lunches to our Elementary students at no cost through the 2024-2025 School Year. Unfortunately, Covington schools will no longer be able to offer free meals for elementary students due to the following:

- Rising costs of groceries and supplies
- An unforeseen reduction of USDA funding for our School Nutrition Program in the coming School Year 2025-2026
- And the potential of reconciliation provisions that would raise eligibility for CEP schools which would place our school in an ineligible status to offer free breakfast/lunch.

We, as a corporation, know that your families costs for groceries have also been on the rise, therefore Free/Reduced forms will be readily available on your Skyward Family Access during registration for the 25/26 School Year. Due to a 3% increase in the income threshold we would encourage **all** families to **please** complete the Free/Reduced form during registration.

Our goal is for every student to have access to nutritious meals to help them on their learning journey. If you have any questions or concerns, or find you need help locating/filling out the forms during registration, please reach out.

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