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Universal Meals/Community Eligibility Provision District

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Merced City School District (MCSD) will continue to implement a program available to schools participating in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP).

Under CEP, MCSD is able to provide a healthy breakfast and lunch, each school day, at no charge to all MCSD students during the *2025-2026* School Year.

Sincerely,

MCSD Nutrition Services

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