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Treutlen County School System to Participate in Community Eligibility Provision

Treutlen County School System will be implementing the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for Free Meal Reimbursement in School Year 2025-26. Through CEP, a school district, a group of schools or a single school may offer meals at no charge to all students. This eliminates the procedure of distributing and processing meal applications.

All children will receive a free reimbursable breakfast and lunch each day at school. Extras such as tea, lemonade, water, juice and extra entrees will be available for purchase for students based on items being compliant with Smart Snacks regulations.

The Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 includes the implementation of CEP to ensure that every student in low-income neighborhoods can participate in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP). To qualify, a district or school must have 40 percent or more of its students eligible for free meals based on direct certification.

By participating in CEP and eliminating the need for meal applications, the School Nutrition Program will reduce administrative and printing costs. Families also benefit from the elimination of completing and submitting meal applications.

If you have any questions, please contact Alecia "Red" Barrett, School Nutrition Director at (912) 529-7109 or [abarrett@treutlen.k12.ga.us](mailto:abarrett@treutlen.k12.ga.us)

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1. **mail:**  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
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(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
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