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Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are pleased to inform you that East St. Louis School District 189 will be participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for School Year 2025-2026, an option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program.

Studies have shown that children who are not hungry perform better in school. By providing school meals to all children at no charge, we are hoping to create a better learning environment for our students. The school breakfast and school lunch that we serve follow U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines for healthy school meals. The School Breakfast and Lunch Programs cannot succeed without your support. Please encourage your children to participate in the school meal programs. Meals will be served to ALL students at no charge, regardless of the eligibility status.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at 618-646-3000.

Sincerely,

Carla DeBoe

Food Service Specialist

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[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:

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

- Spanish Translations** of the new Nondiscrimination Statement for SNAP, SNAP-Ed, FDIPIR, and all other FNS nutrition assistance programs (e.g., CACFP, CSFP, FDD, NSLP, SFSP, WIC) are being updated. Please check the U.S. Department of Agriculture website for updates: <https://www.fns.usda.gov/cr/fns-nondiscrimination-statement>. Questions can be sent to sm.fn.crd-web@usda.gov.

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