

Dear CMS Parent or Guardian:

2026-2027 CEP Schools

We are pleased to inform you that Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) will continue to participate in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for **School Year 2026-2027**. Schools participating in the CEP are able to provide healthy breakfasts and lunches each day at no charge for **ALL** students enrolled in the school. If your children attend one of the following schools, they will be included in this program.

Albemarle Road Elementary	Hornets Nest Elementary	Rama Road Elementary
Albemarle Road Middle	Huntingtowne Farms Elementary	Ranson Middle
Allenbrook Elementary	Idlewild Elementary	Reedy Creek Elementary
Ashley Park Pre K-8 School	Independence High School	Reid Park Academy
Berewick Elementary	J.H. Gunn Elementary	Renaissance West STEAM Academy
Berryhill School	J.M. Alexander Middle	Ridge Road Middle
Billingsville Elementary	James Martin Middle	River Gate Elementary
Blythe Elementary	Joseph W. Grier Academy	River Oaks Academy
Briarwood Academy	Julius L Chambers High School	Rocky River High School
Bruns Avenue Elementary	Kennedy Middle	Sedgefield Middle
Butler High School	Lake Wylie Elementary	Southwest Middle School
Charles H Parker Academic Center	Lawrence Orr Elementary	South Pine Academy
Charlotte East Language Academy	Lebanon Road Elementary	Starmount Academy of Excellence
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Academy	Long Creek Elementary	Statesville Road Elementary
Clear Creek Elementary	Mallard Creek Elementary	Steele Creek Elementary
Cochrane Collegiate Academy	Mallard Creek High School	Sterling Elementary
Cotswold Elementary	Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle	Stoney Creek Elementary
Coulwood STEM Academy	McClintock Middle	Thomasboro Academy
Croft Community School	Merry Oaks International Academy	Tuckaseegee Elementary
Crown Point Elementary	Metro School	Turning Point Academy
David Cox Road Elementary	Military and Global Leadership	Turning Point Academy Middle
Devonshire Elementary	Mint Hill Elementary	University Meadows Elementary
Dorothy Vaughan @ Parkside	Mint Hill Middle	University Park Creative Arts School
Druid Hills Academy	Montclair Elementary	Villa Heights Elementary
East Mecklenburg High School	Mountain Island Lake Academy	Walter G. Byers School
Eastway Middle	Nations Ford Elementary	West Charlotte High School
Elizabeth Traditional Elementary	Newell Elementary	West Mecklenburg High School
Esperanza Global Academy	North Mecklenburg High School	Westerly Hills Academy
First Ward Middle	Northeast Middle	Whitewater Academy
Garinger High School	Northridge Middle	Whitewater Middle
Governors' Village STEM Academy (Lower)	Oakdale Elementary	Wilson STEM Academy
Governors' Village STEM Academy (Upper)	Oakhurst STEAM Academy	Winding Springs Elementary
Greenway Park Elementary	Oaklawn Language Academy	Windsor Park Elementary
Grove Park Elementary	Olympic High School	Winterfield Elementary
Harding University High School	Paw Creek Elementary	
Hawthorne Academy of Health Sciences	Phillip O Berry Academy of Technology	
Hickory Grove Elementary	Pineville Elementary	
Hidden Valley Elementary	Pinewood Elementary	
Highland Renaissance Academy	Piney Grove Elementary	
Hopewell High School	Quail Hollow Middle	

DO complete a meal application if:

- You have school-aged children in your household that attend a CMS school not listed above.
- Your children attend a CEP school listed above and you need an eligibility letter to present to receive fee waivers. Students attending CEP schools are not required to have a meal application on file to receive breakfast and lunch.

A meal application may be completed online at www.cmsk12.org, select Departments then School Nutrition Services. A paper version may be printed from the website, obtained from your child's school or contact the School Nutrition Department at 980-343-6041. Please do not hesitate to call our office if we can assist you further.

During the school year if your child moves from a CMS Community Eligible Provision (CEP) school to a CMS school that is not CEP you must complete a meal application to be considered for meal benefits at the new school.

The Breakfast Program

Breakfast is offered daily in all schools before the start of the school day at no charge to students. A breakfast consists of:

- 1) an entrée made with grain and/or meat/meat alternate
- 2) one milk
- 3) two servings of fruit or juice (limit of one juice per meal)

All students will be required to take at a minimum one serving of fruit or juice and two additional items in order to receive the meal at no charge. A breakfast entrée counts as two items. At a minimum, a student must select an entrée and a fruit or they may select two fruits and milk to have the meal count as a breakfast. The maximum amount of food a student can select at no charge is one entrée, milk, and two servings of fruit or one serving of juice and one serving of fruit. **If a student does not select a complete school breakfast as outlined above, they will have to pay individually for the items they chose.**

The Lunch Program

Lunch is offered daily in all schools. A lunch consists of:

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| 1) an entrée made with grain and/or meat/meat alternate | 3) vegetable |
| 2) one milk | 4) fruit |

All students will be required to take a minimum one serving of vegetable or fruit and two additional items in order to receive the meal at no charge. A lunch entrée counts as two items. At a minimum, a student must select an entrée and a fruit or vegetable or they may select two fruits and/or vegetables and milk to have the meal count as a lunch. The maximum amount of food a student can select at no charge is one entrée, one milk, two vegetables, and a fruit. High school students may select two servings of fruit. **If a student does not select a complete school lunch, they will have to pay individually for the items they chose.**

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