

Media Release: Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

The *Stafford Municipal School District and Stafford Early Childhood Center, Stafford Elementary School, Stafford Middle School, Stafford Stem Magnet Academy and Stafford High School* announced today it will operate the Community Eligibility Program (CEP) under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program for the 2026 - 2027 school year. Schools qualifying to operate CEP serve breakfast and lunch to all children at no charge and eliminate the collection of meal applications for free, reduced-price, and paid student meals. This approach reduces burdens for both families and school administrators and helps ensure that students receive nutritious meals.

For additional information please contact the following person:

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Attention: Danny McDonald, Child Nutrition Director or Adam Alvarado, Child Nutrition Coordinator
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3. Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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