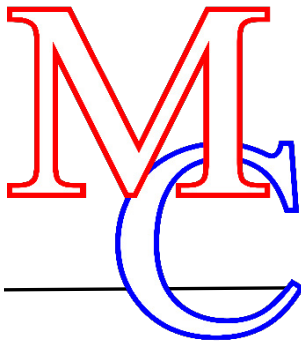


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Letter to Parents/Guardians About School Meal Programs: Community Eligibility Provision

2026-2027

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are pleased to share that the Middle Country Central School District will offer a meal certification option for schools participating in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs for the 2026-2027 school year.

What does this mean for your child(ren)?

All students enrolled in a Middle Country school are entitled to a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at no cost to your family. No further action is needed. Your child(ren) may take part in these meal programs without paying any fees or submitting an application.

The Middle Country School District (Middle Country CSD) asks all households that are not directly certified to complete the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Benefits Eligibility Form, which is used to determine eligibility for additional state and federal program benefits your child(ren) may qualify for. This form

is available at mccsd.net under Important Information, Food & Nutrition, and the Food Service Department.

You can also request a copy by calling (631) 285-8190 or emailing foodservice@mccsd.net.

If you have any questions, please contact the Middle Country Food Service Office at (631) 285-8190.ry, Food Service Office at (631) 285-8190.

Sincerely,

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