

Board Policy

Code No. 710.2

FREE OR REDUCED COST MEALS ELIGIBILITY

Students enrolled and attending school in the school district, who are unable to afford the cost or a portion of the cost of the school lunch, breakfast, and/or supplemental foods, will be provided the school food program services at no cost or at a reduced cost.

The district shall at least twice annually notify all families of the availability, eligibility criteria, and application procedures for free or reduced price meals in accordance with state and federal law.

It shall be the responsibility of the food service official to determine if a student qualifies for free or reduced cost school nutrition services consistent with the guidelines established by the Federal Government for participation in the free and reduced price program.

If a student owes money for five or more meals, the food service official may contact the student's parent or guardian to provide information regarding the application for free or reduced price meals. The school is encouraged to provide reimbursable meals to students who request reimbursable meals unless the students' parent or guardian has specifically provided written direction to the school to withhold a meal from the student.

Employees, students and others will be required to put appropriate funds on deposit for meals consumed.

It shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent or designee to develop administrative regulations for implementing this policy.

Legal Reference: 2 U.S.C. §§ 1751 et seq.
7 C.F.R. Pt. 210 et seq.
Iowa Code ch. 283A
281 I.A.C. 58.

Cross Reference: 710.1 School Nutrition Program
710.3 Vending Machines
710.4 Meal Charge Policy

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