



Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that the Marion County School District will be implementing a new option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). This new option is largely due to the COVID 19 pandemic which has caused an increase in SNAP participation in our community.

What does this change mean for Marion County School District?

Great news for you and your student! All enrolled students of Marion County School District are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **NO CHARGE** to your household each day of the 2020-2021 school year. No further action is required of you. You do **NOT** have to fill out a meal application.

Participation in CEP will be a year to year decision. If it becomes a financial burden for our district, we will be forced to return to meal applications to determine eligibility.

If we can be of any further assistance, please email the Child Nutrition Department at swilks@marionk12.org.

Sincerely,

Sissy Wilks

Child Nutrition Director