

FLORENCE CITY SCHOOLS  
COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM

FAQs

WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM (CEP)?

A universal meal plan under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) that permits eligible schools to provide meal service to all students at no charge, regardless of economic status. (Section 104a of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act)

WHAT SCHOOLS ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM?

Forest Hills Elementary, Harlan Elementary, Weeden Elementary and Hibbett Middle School will all be participating in the Community Eligibility Program for 2017-2018.

HOW DOES CEP IMPACT MY STUDENT?

CEP will allow ALL STUDENTS IN PRE-K-6<sup>th</sup> grade the opportunity to receive breakfast and lunch daily at no cost. Parents do not have to complete an application to be eligible for this service.

I HAVE STUDENTS IN 7-12 GRADE. WHY IS THIS PROGRAM NOT OFFERED TO THEM?

Our ultimate goal is to provide meal service at no cost to all students enrolled in Florence City Schools. We are piloting CEP in our K-6 schools for 2017-2018 and will use the results to determine if we are able to extend this program to all schools. This is the first year of implementation for this program in Florence City Schools, and families and students are encouraged to take advantage of this available service. Participation is the key to success.

### WHAT IS CONSIDERED A MEAL?

The meal at no cost will include a choice of grain, fruit, vegetable, protein and milk. Students must select at least 3 of these items, one must be a fruit or vegetable. A la carte items (snacks) and extras will have to be purchased.

### SHOULD I SEND ANY MONEY WITH MY STUDENT SINCE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE?

Each student is eligible to receive breakfast and lunch daily at no cost. Any other items will have to be purchased. Ex: extra milk or juice, ice cream, or an extra entrée'. Students will need to either bring money or have money in their lunch account if they want to purchase these extra items.