

Moriah Central School will be participating in the **Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Program again for the 2022-2023 school year**, which will allow all students in grades Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 in our district to receive free breakfast and lunch at school each day.

This program has no income qualifications, but each family should complete the attached form, which the district uses for reporting purposes, and which could help to ensure that this program is successful and will continue in future years.

We're proud to say that every single student at Moriah Central School is once again eligible for a free breakfast and lunch this year, every day, all school year long!

Here are some questions and answers to further explain this program.

What food does CEP cover?

The CEP will provide a standard meal – breakfast and lunch – for each student. Either the daily menu offering, or the alternate meal is covered. The CEP does not cover an additional meal of “a la carte” items such as additional milk, bottled water, chips, etc. Students may still purchase “a la carte” items, but there will no need for students to purchase a breakfast or lunch.

Why is this program being offered?

This program is part of a USDA special provision of the Healthy Hungry Free Kids Act of 2010. Each qualifying school district may choose to participate or not. Plattsburgh City School, based upon socio-economic composition of its student body, currently qualifies for this program.

Is there anything parents should do?

Yes. Please complete and return the attached form. The form neither qualifies nor disqualifies students from eligibility (all students are eligible – regardless of family income). However, this form does feature important information which the District must report to the State and which will impact the District's State Aide and Grant Funding - and that will impact whether this program can be sustained for multiple years.

WE HOPE YOU WILL PARTICIPATE!

The sustainability of this program depends largely on student participation rates!

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