Bismarck R-5 School District

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Community Eligibility Provision

Bismarck R-5 School District is participating in a Free Breakfast and Lunch Program for the current school year 26-27 SY. This alternative is referred to as the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). All students enrolled at this school may participate in the breakfast and lunch program at no charge. Household applications for free and reduced price meals will not be collected.

Studies have shown that children who are not hungry perform better in school. By providing school meals to all children at no charge, we are hoping to create a better learning environment for our students.

The school breakfast and lunch that we serve follows U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines for healthy school meals. The Free Breakfast and Lunch Program cannot succeed without your support. Please encourage your children to participate in the school meal programs.

If your children attend Bismarck R-5 School District, breakfast and lunch will be available to them at no charge.

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