

**FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS**

The Board of Trustees recognizes that adequate nutrition is essential to child development and learning and that some families may be unable to provide breakfast and lunch for their children. In accordance with law, the district shall provide free and reduced price meals for students whose families meet federal eligibility criteria.

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend for Board approval a plan which ensures that eligible students are not treated differently from other students or easily identified by their peers.

Upon approval of the Board, this plan shall be submitted to the California Department of Education for approval. (Education Code 49557)

The Board authorizes designated employees to use individual records pertaining to student eligibility for any free and reduced price meal program solely for the purpose of disaggregation of academic achievement data in accordance with federal and state law and regulation, or to identify students eligible for public school choice and supplemental educational services pursuant to the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

*(cf. 5125 - Student Records)*

*(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)*

*(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)*

*(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)*

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

48980 Notice at beginning of term

49490-49494 School breakfast and lunch programs

49500-49505 School meals

49510-49520 Nutrition

49530-49536 Child Nutrition Act of 1974

49547-49548.3 Comprehensive nutrition service

49550-49560 Meals for needy students

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15510 Mandatory meals for needy students

15530-15535 Nutrition education

15550-15565 School lunch and breakfast programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act

6301-6514 Title I programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1751-1769h National lunch programs

1771-1791 Child nutrition

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

245.1-245.13 Determination of eligibility for free and reduced price meals

*Management Resources:*

CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES

0325.98 Education Code Section 49558 LO: 1-98

WEB SITES

CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

USDA PUBLICATIONS

Team Nutrition, Food and Nutrition Services, Changing the Scene, Improving the School Nutrition Environment: A Guide to Local Action,

2000

Policy  
adopted: June 2002  
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