

REYNOLDS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Every Student in the Reynolds School District will be eligible to receive a free (reimbursable) breakfast and a free (reimbursable) lunch this school year under the CEP program. There are guidelines that the USDA have put in place that the school and students must follow to receive a free (reimbursable) meal. The USDA has categorized food into 5 food components or (groups). The 5 components or groups consist of: meat or meat alternate, grains, fruit, vegetables, and milk. The school has to offer the students at least 4 components at breakfast & 5 components at lunch.

For the purposes of Offer Versus Serve (OVS) for **Breakfast** a school must offer at least four food items from the three required food components (fruits, grains, milk). Under OVS, the student must select three food items including at least ½ cup of fruit or vegetables, to have a reimbursable breakfast. The student must take at least 3 of the 4 items offered. The student may take all 4 items offered. If the student refuses to take 3 items (1 of them being the fruit or vegetable) they will be charged ala carte prices for the items selected since it will not qualify as a reimbursable meal.

Under OVS at **Lunch**, a student must take at least three components in the required quantities. One selection must be at least ½ cup total from either the fruit or vegetables component. Depending on the planned menu, the student may need to select more than one food item to have the minimum quantity needed for a component to be credited. The student must take at least three of the five components offered in the correct portions. One of the three must be at least ½ cup fruit or vegetable, if the student does not take the required items they will be charged ala carte prices for the items selected since it will not qualify as a reimbursable meal.

If not receiving a reimbursable lunch milk price is \$.50 per carton,

NOTE: Each student in the district is entitled to one free breakfast and one free lunch per day when school is in session. Any additional food items such as a double lunch, ala carte items, snack items, as well as adult lunches are not included and will need to be purchased on a cash basis. There will be **NO CHARGING** allowed for anything with this program in place. Students that have a past due balance from prior years will need to pay them as soon as possible.

Free After School Snack will be available for those students attending an after school program.

If you need more information or have questions please feel free to call Lisa Brest at lbrest@reynoldssd.org.

Sincerely,

Lisa Brest (Food Service Director)

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