

UNIVERSAL-FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

THE SCHOOL BOARD HAS A SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM THAT MAKES BREAKFAST MEALS AVAILABLE TO ALL STUDENTS IN EACH ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL. AS A COMPONENT OF THE SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM THE DISTRICT WILL MAKE AVAILABLE A UNIVERSAL-FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM IN SCHOOLS WHERE 80% OR MORE OF STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS. PRIOR TO THE START OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR, SCHOOLS SELECTED FOR THE PROGRAM WILL BE NOTIFIED.

RULES

1. DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY

- a. Eligibility will be determined from the annual March full-time equivalent survey completed in the previous school year by the Florida Department of Education.
- b. Schools identified as having 80% or more of students eligible for free or reduced-price meals will implement the Universal-Free Breakfast Program at the beginning of the following school year.
- c. Each school shall, to the maximum extent practicable, make breakfast meals available to students at an alternative site location, which include, but need not be limited to, alternative breakfast options as described in publication of the Food and Nutrition Service of the United States Department of Agriculture for the federal School Breakfast Program.
- d. Charter schools not included in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program agreement, for the School Board of Broward County are not subject to the provisions of this policy.

2. ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF UNIVERSAL (FREE) BREAKFAST PROGRAM

- a. An annual financial assessment of the program will be conducted to ensure the costs associated with the provisions of the Universal-Free Breakfast Program can be supported by the financial performance of the Food and Nutrition Services Department.
- b. The Universal-Free Breakfast Program will be suspended in the event the financial performance of the Food and Nutrition Services Department can no longer support the Program.

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