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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Houston County School Nutrition will be participating in our fourth year of the USDA's initiative of implementing the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) through the National School Lunch Program. CEP permits eligible schools to provide meals to all students at no charge, regardless of economic status. CEP will be available to children enrolled in the following schools: Centerville Elementary, Lindsey Elementary, Pearl Stephens Elementary, Miller Elementary, Northside Elementary, Northside Middle, Parkwood Elementary, CB Watson Primary, Russell Elementary, Westside Elementary, Warner Robins Middle, Tucker Elementary, Morningside Elementary, Shirley Hills Elementary, Huntington Middle and Crossroads.

What does this mean for you and your children attending the schools identified above?

Students enrolled in the aforementioned schools are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast, lunch, and snack (if the child is enrolled in an eligible after school program) at school at **no charge** to your household each day of the 2016-2017 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child (ren) will be able to participate in this meal program without having to pay a fee or submit a Free and Reduced Meal Application.

While the regular breakfast, lunch, and after school snack will be provided at no cost to your child, supplemental sale items such as chips, cookies, etc. will be available for purchase. These items can be purchased with cash, a check payable to HCSNP (Houston Co. School Nutrition Program), or monies placed on the child's online account at www.myschoolbucks.com. In order to prevent any charges to your child's account, he/she should not purchase supplemental sale items if there is no money in their account.

In addition, the ability for your child to eat free is associated with the school they attend. Therefore, if your child transfers to a school that is not listed above, you will need to provide payment for your child's meals until you complete a Free and Reduced Meal Application and receive notice that it is approved.

Additional information on CEP can be found on the school nutrition website located at www.HCBE.net. If we can be of any further assistance, please contact the School Nutrition Department at (478) 322-3308 or email Robin Black, Free and Reduced Secretary, at Robin.Black@hcbe.net.

Sincerely,

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