

NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS AND BUSINESS SERVICES

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POLICY TITLE FREE OR REDUCED COST MEALS ELIGIBILITY No. 710.2

Students enrolled and attending school in the school district, who meet USDA eligibility guidelines will be provided the school nutrition program services at no cost or at a reduced price. The school district will make every effort to eliminate any social stigma attached to, and prevent the overt identification of, students who are eligible for free and reduced price meals.

The district shall annually notify all families of the availability, eligibility criteria, and application procedures for free or reduced price meals in accordance with state and federal law. It is the responsibility of the Director of Nutrition Services to determine the eligibility of students for free or reduced price school nutrition programs, in accordance with criteria established by state and federal law. If school personnel have knowledge of a student who is in need of free or reduced-price meals, school personnel shall contact the Nutrition Department.

Nutrition employees may receive a complimentary school lunch meal. Employees, students not qualified for free meals and others will be required to pay for meals and ala carte items consumed.

It is the responsibility of the Director of Nutrition Services to develop administrative regulations for implementing this policy.

Legal Reference: 42 U.S.C. §§ 1751 *et seq.* ~~(2010)~~;
7 C.F.R. Pt. 210 *et seq.* ~~(2010)~~;
Iowa Code ch. 283A ~~(2013)~~;
281 I.A.C. 58.

Cross Reference: 710.3 Vending Machines
710.4 Meal Charge Policy

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