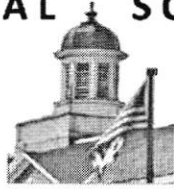


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August 14, 2019

Dear Parent or Guardian:

If your child is eligible for free and reduced price meals, he/she also may be eligible for other benefits. In order to receive these benefits, you must provide written consent to permit school officials to give your name, address, and an indication that your household is eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk, to representatives of certain programs. Failure to sign consent statement that will allow disclosure of this information will not affect your child's eligibility or participation in the school meals program.

Some of the programs that may request names and eligibility information to be used to provide benefits, and for which parent/guardian consent is required, include school education programs and community organizations. For example, the disclosure of children's eligibility for free and reduced price meals will be used to obtain free band instruments and might be used by other programs in the future, such as reduced fees for school trips and other costs that families typically bear.

If you wish to provide consent to release information contained in your child's free and reduced price meal application, in order to receive other benefits, please complete the attached consent statement and return it to Lauren Collica, Director of Food Service. If you have any questions, she can be reached at 845-855-4627.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Dr. Neysa T. Sensenig'.

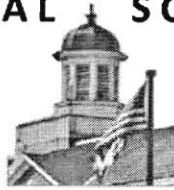
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PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT TO RELEASE ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

Date

Dear Parent/Guardian:

If your child is eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk, he/she also may be eligible for other benefits. To receive these benefits, you must provide written consent to permit school officials to give your name, address, and an indication that your household is eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk, to representatives of certain programs. **Failure to sign a consent statement that will allow disclosure of this information will not affect your child's eligibility or participation in the school meals or milk programs. Consent must be given in writing every school year if you wish to disclose your information.**

Some of the programs that may request names and eligibility information to be used to provide potential benefits, and for which parent/guardian consent is required, include: federal health insurance programs such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance program (CHIP), other federal programs, State programs, local health and education programs and other local activities. For example, the disclosure of children's eligibility for free and reduced price meals or free milk to determine possible eligibility for free text books, waived field trip fees, waived AP, SAT, and ACT exam fees, waived college application fees, free band instruments, holiday baskets, school supplies, etc., or reduced fees for summer school or driver education programs, would require written consent by the child's parent/guardian.

If you wish to provide consent to release information contained in your child's free and reduced price meal application, to receive other benefits, please sign and return this form with your application.

Student Name(s): _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please call Lauren Collica, Food Service Director at 845-855-4627 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



Neysa Sensenig, Ed. D.
Assistant Superintendent of Finance

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