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ACISD Students to Receive Meals Free of Charge for the 2020 - 2021 School Year USDA Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

As a result of regional impacts to school districts following Hurricane Harvey, Aransas County ISD has been notified that every student attending an ACISD school is being provided **breakfast and lunch at no charge to students for the 2020 - 2021 school year.**

Please be advised that this is a limited opportunity granted under the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)'s Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). ACISD is one of a few school districts in Texas who were impacted by Hurricane Harvey, and thus eligible, in the current year.

Please read the following, important information:

- ACISD will continue to sell a la carte items (Chips, Drinks, Extra Entrees and Snacks) at Fulton Learning Center, R-F Middle School and R-F High School. Students may pay for these items with cash or with their current lunch account. Lunch Money Now will continue to be utilized to add money to student accounts.
- The school district will not be required to collect applications for free, reduced-price, and paid student meals due to this provision. (When the provision expires, the district will once again collect and process these standard applications.)
- Currently, all ACISD students are guaranteed to receive benefits for the 2020 - 2021 school year. However, this provision will expire when the school district no longer meets its requirements.
- Districts must re-apply each year to determine whether requirements have been met. When the provision is no longer available and student meal charges resume across the district, the ACISD Child Nutrition Department will notify parent/guardians.
- Free meals are for students only. Staff and Visitors will continue to pay the designated price.
- **Student meal charges will resume at all campuses when this provision expires.**

For additional information or questions please contact the ACISD Child Nutrition Department at (361) 790-2295.

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