Free and Reduced Price Food Services

The South Shore School District shall take part as feasible in the National School Lunch Program to assure that all children in the district receive proper nourishment. In accordance with the guidelines for participation in these programs, no child who a teacher believes is improperly nourished shall be denied a free lunch, or other food, simply because proper application has not been received from his/her parent(s) or guardian.

Eligibility Criteria and Selection of Children

In selecting children to receive free and reduced price meals, consideration will be given to children from families

a) with income below that established yearly by the state;
b) eligible to receive any form of public assistance or certified to participate in the government donated commodities or food stamp programs; and/or
c) unable to pay the full price in the judgment of officials to determine eligibility.

In making individual determinations and in providing the free or reduced price meals, every effort shall be made to avoid overt identification to the peers of children receiving such meals. No child shall be required to work for a free or reduced price meal.

Application forms shall be available to parents or guardians of children who may request free or reduced price meals, and a file of applications and/or authorizations shall be maintained.

The principal shall maintain a system of collecting payments from paying children and accounting for free and reduced price meals in a manner which will protect the anonymity of children receiving free or reduced price meals.

Appeal

Any appeal from the decision of the approving officer(s) shall be referred to the district administrator, or designee.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 115.34 Wisconsin Statutes
120.10 (16)
120.13 (6) & (10)

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