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## Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Emery School District offers healthy meals each school day. Breakfast costs [1.70]; lunch costs [2.60]. Your children may qualify for free/reduced price meals. Reduced price is [.30] for breakfast and [.40] for lunch. Extra Milk .50

- 1. **DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?** No. *Use the same Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application for all students in your household.* Remember, we cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: [Alayna Ewell, P.O. Box 120, 120 N. Main Huntington, UT, 84528. (435)-687-9846 or (435)687-4905.]
- 2. WHO RECEIVES FREE MEALS? All children in households receiving benefits from Utah Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Utah Family Employment Program (FEP) can get free meals regardless of income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limit on the Federal Income Eligibility chart.
- 3. **CAN FOSTER CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Yes. Foster Children, that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals, regardless of your income.
- 4. **CAN HOMELESS, RUNAWAY, AND MIGRANT CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Please call or e-mail [Ryan Maughan 435-687-9846] to see if your children qualify (if you have not been already been informed that they will receive free meals.)
- 5. **WHO CAN RECEIVE REDUCED PRICE MEALS?** Your children can get low cost meals if your household's income is within the reduced-price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, which is shown on this application.
- 6. **I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC *may* be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out an application.
- 7. **WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED?** Yes. You may also be asked to send written proof.
- 8. **IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?** Yes. You may apply at any time during the school year, especially if circumstances change.
- WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION? Speak with your school officials. You
  may also ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: [Alayna Ewell, P.O. Box 120, 120 N. Main Huntington, UT, 84528.
  (435)-687-9846 or (435)687-4905.]
- 10. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. Citizens to qualify for free or reduced-price meals.
- 11. WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE AS MEMBERS OF MY HOUSEHOLD? You must include each person, including yourself, and the children living in your home related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share in the household's income and expenses. If you live with other people who are economically independent (i.e., people you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, or who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
- 12. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME? List the amount that you normally receive. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you seldom work overtime. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
- 13. **WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE INCLUDE OUR HOUSING ALLOWANCE AS INCOME?** If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.
- 14. MY SPOUSE IS DEPLOYED TO A COMBAT ZONE. IS COMBAT PAY COUNTED AS INCOME? No, if the combat pay is received in addition to basic pay because of deployment, and it wasn't received before deployment, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.
- 15. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR? Call 2-1-1, (888) 826-9790 or visit <a href="http://www.211ut.org">http://www.211ut.org</a>. If you have other questions or need help, call [435-687-4905]. Si necesita ayuda, por favor llame al teléfono: [435-687-4905]. Si vous voudriez d'aide, contactez-nous au numéro : [435-687-4905].

Sincerely, Alayna Ewell

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