

# COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION (CEP)

## No-Cost Meals for all Students!

In June of 2018, the Hernando County School Board gave the Food and Nutrition Services department approval to expand the implementation of the Community Eligibility Provision to include all schools District-wide.

Beginning with the 2018 -2019 School Year, this program became available to all actively enrolled students in the Hernando County School District.

This program is in effect for the next four (4) school years, at which time re-approval from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Hernando County School Board will be required to continue.

For more information you may visit the USDA's CEP information site  
<https://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/community-eligibility-provision>

### What does this mean for me or my student?

Simply put, this means that all students enrolled in any school inside the Hernando County School District can receive a reimbursable meal at breakfast and lunch at no cost to the student or family. These meals are being paid for by the USDA on behalf of the students and their families.

### Do I need to fill out a Free or Reduced Meal application?

No, because the District is now expanding the CEP program to cover the county district-wide, **Food and Nutrition Services will no longer be accepting any Free and Reduced Meal applications.** All students will be fed a reimbursable meal for breakfast and lunch at no cost.

### Do I still need a lunch account?

You may create a lunch account to access the menu, view student meal selections and add funds for additional A La Carte items.

Reimbursable meals for breakfast and lunch are being provided at no cost. If the student refuses to take all of the required components to make a complete meal, items will be charged at A La Carte prices. Students may also purchase additional A La Carte and snack items that are not part of the no cost meal.

To create an account visit: <https://family.titank12.com>

If you require further assistance or have additional questions, please feel free to contact our Food and Nutrition Services District Office at (352) 797-7028 or visit our website.

Hernando County Schools Food and Nutrition Services  
<https://www.hernandoschools.org/Domain/1046>