

Federal Program Training of the Month: Child Nutrition – CEP Overview

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- Community Eligibility Provision
- Option for qualifying schools to serve free meals to all students
 - Reduces stigma around free meals
 - Helps families financially
 - Streamlines meal service
 - Reduces administrative work

What is CEP?





Who Qualifies?

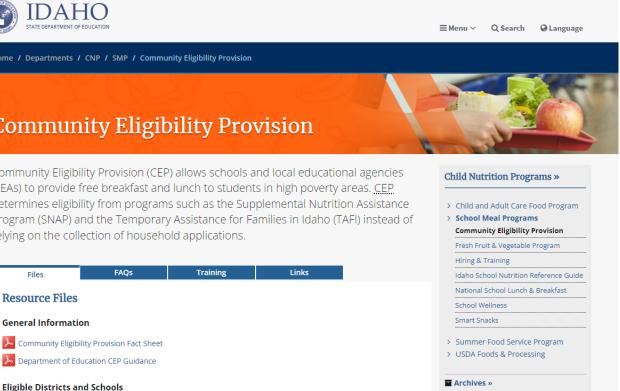


- Schools and LEA's with a minimum Identified Student Percentage of 40% or higher
 - Identified Students = students certified for free meals without the use of an application (ex. SNAP)



Resources

- SDE Website
 - Fact sheets
 - List of eligible schools and districts
 - Frequently asked questions
 - Important links
- USDA Website
 - Legislation information
 - Resource center





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SY22-23 Idaho CEP District Notification SY22-23 Idaho CEP School Notification

Guidance for Free and Reduced Determinations

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Community Eligibility Provision

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) allows schools and local educational agencies (LEAs) to provide free breakfast and lunch to students in high poverty areas. CEP determines eligibility from programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Temporary Assistance for Families in Idaho (TAFI) instead of relying on the collection of household applications.