

**Board Policy EEA: Free and Reduced Nutrition Programs**

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The DeKalb County School District will comply with the National School Lunch Act as it relates to serving free and reduced-price meals by acting in accordance with United States Department of Agriculture regulations for the National School Lunch and the Child Nutrition Acts, by recognizing the responsibility for the educational needs of boys and girls, and by recognizing the value of the school nutrition program in the total education program. Responsible school officials, including principals and school nutrition personnel, will serve meals in all DeKalb schools that meet the nutritional requirements for all students participating in the Free and Reduced Program. No discrimination of any type against any child shall be made because of inability to pay.

The DeKalb County Board of Education and the Superintendent acknowledge that the School Food Service Unit of the State Department of Education has the responsibility for monitoring performance through administrative reviews, on-site evaluations, and other means to ensure that determinations are being made in accordance with announced policies and to ensure that overt identification of any child receiving free or reduced-price meals is avoided.

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