



CONNETQUOT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ISLIP
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February 27, 2024

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to announce that all students enrolled at Edward J. Bosti Elementary School, Cherokee Street Elementary School, Helen B. Duffield Elementary School, John Pearl Elementary School, Edith L. Slocum Elementary School, Sycamore Avenue Elementary School, Oakdale-Bohemia Middle School, Ronkonkoma Middle School and Connetquot High School will be able to receive a FREE breakfast and lunch meal at school beginning on Friday, March 1, 2024.

This implementation is a result of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) expanding access to the federal Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). CEP allows eligible schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs to offer school meals at no charge to all students. The CEP Program is effective through June 30, 2027.

Although Idle Hour Elementary School was not approved as part of the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) application, all students in the Idle Hour Elementary school will be receiving a free breakfast and free lunch daily as part of the separate Paid Lunch Equity waiver program. This program will run through the end of the 2023/24 school year. More information will be provided in the coming months as to the 2024/25 school year.

What does this mean for your child(ren) attending the school(s) identified above? Effective March 1, 2024, all students enrolled at Connetquot Central School District will receive meals at no cost to your household. This includes pre-kindergarten students enrolled in the SCOPE program as well as pre-kindergarten students enrolled in the Connetquot Alternative Pre School (CAPS) program. No further action is required of you.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Business Office at (631) 244-2215 x 3504

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Hauser, CPA
Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations

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