

PUBLIC RELEASE

Due to regulations, all school food authorities (SFAs)/institutions must annually submit a public release to the informational media, local unemployment offices, and any major companies contemplating layoffs in that district’s area, grassroots organizations, and interested individuals upon request.

OKHS also recommends that your attached a copy of the public release the School Website along with other required policies as a form of public notification if participating in the School Nutrition Programs.

When submitting the public release, the notification, the complete statement must be sent, including the full nondiscrimination statement.

Do not modify the nondiscrimination statement. If for any reason, the published material is too small to permit the full nondiscrimination statement, the material at a minimum must include the statement, in print size no smaller than the text, that “USDA is an equal opportunity provider.”

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Crossover Preparatory Academy
COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION
PUBLIC RELEASE 2023-2024

This public release is on file at the school and is made available upon request to any interest party.

Crossover Preparatory Academy today announced its policy for free and reduced-price meals for children served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program. For School Year **2023-2024** **Crossover Preparatory Academy will continue participation** in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for School Year **2023-2024**. No further action is required of you.

This USDA provision allows your child(ren) to participate in the school meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a meal application. CEP is a key provision of the Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010, which allows schools and school districts in low-income areas to eliminate school meal applications and serve breakfast and lunch at no charge to all enrolled students. CEP gives food service professionals more time to focus on preparing nutritious meals that their students will enjoy and gives students more time to eat those meals by cutting down on time spent in the lunch line. More importantly, by offering all students a nutritious breakfast and lunch at no cost, CEP helps ensure more students come to class well-nourished and ready to learn.

Children need healthy meals to learn. **Crossover Preparatory Academy** offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast and lunch meals will follow the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) guidelines for healthy school meals, so please encourage students to participate. Parents or guardians who need further information may contact **TBA**, Child Nutrition Program Director **TBA**.

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U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
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