

BATH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA ITEM: INFORMATION { } ACTION { X } CLOSED MEETING { }

SUBJECT: SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - ACTION

Meal Prices for 2014-2015 – Mrs. Shifflett

BACKGROUND: We have the option to use Non-Federal Contributions in lieu of raising the prices of lunches for school year 2014-2015. The amount needed to be donated is \$3,418.74. The county contributes more than that amount now. The only stipulation is that the money must be used in the Food Service category. We use the money from the county only in Food Service so we will have no issues with compliance.

(For your information, I have included recent VDOE communication regarding the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) and the application process for next year. The CEP provides an alternative approach for offering school meals to local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools in low income areas, instead of collecting individual applications for free and reduced price meals, and it allows schools that predominantly serve low-income children to offer free, nutritious school meals to all students through the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

The division and individual schools are not eligible to participate, however, Millboro and Valley were determined to be “near eligible”.)

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend using the Non-Federal Contribution to offset the increase in lunch prices, allowing students to pay the same meal prices next year as they are for the 2013-2014 school year.

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TO: Mrs. Hirsh, Superintendent

FROM: **Lumina B. Shifflett, Nutrition and Wellness Director**

DATE: May 14, 2014

RE: Meal Prices for School Year 2014-2015

Please find attached the work sheets for the Paid Lunch Equity calculations for school year 2014-2015.

The total number of paid lunches served in October 2013 was used to determine the weighted average price of meals for the present school year. 1,600 meals served @ \$1.65 and 2,963 lunches served @ \$1.90 results in the weighted average price of lunches as \$1.81. The weighted average price increase for school year '14-15' based on a 2% rate increase, plus the Consumer Price Index (2.27%) amounts to \$1.92. We are allowed to round down to the nearest 5 cents, which would be \$1.90. To make that average amount, we would need to raise the price of lunch by 10 cents across the board, going from \$1.65 to \$1.75 for grades Pre-K – Grade 5, and from \$1.90 to \$2.00 for Grades 6-12.

We have the option to use Non-Federal Contributions in lieu of raising the prices of lunches for the coming year. The amount calculated that we need donated is \$3,418.74. We are subsidized by the county more than that amount and the only stipulation we have from USDA, is that we are using that contributed money for Food Service. Our records show the money from the county earmarked for Food Service is used only in said category.

I recommend that we use the Non-Federal Contribution to offset the increase in lunch prices to allow the students to pay the same price next year as they are this year. I have attached the work sheets that show the calculations for the increase for the coming year.

SY 2014-15 Price Adjustment Calculator

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SY 2014-15 Weighted Average Price Requirement	
Requirement price to the nearest cent	Optional price requirement ROUNDED DOWN to nearest 5 cent
\$ 1.92	\$ 1.90
<i>Note: Above prices are based on adjusting SY 2013-2014 price requirement by the 2% rate increase plus the Consumer Price Index (2.27%)</i>	

SY 2013-14 Weighted Average Price Calculator

Enter the paid prices and number of paid lunches sold at each price for October 2013.

	Monthly # of Paid Lunches	Paid Lunch Price	Monthly Revenue	SY 2013-14 Weighted Average Price
1.	1,600	\$ 1.65	\$ 2,640.00	
2.	2,963	\$ 1.90	\$ 5,629.70	
3.			\$ -	
4.			\$ -	
5.			\$ -	
6.			\$ -	
7.			\$ -	
8.			\$ -	
9.			\$ -	
10.			\$ -	
TOTAL	4,563		\$ 8,269.70	\$ 1.81

Note: SY 2013-14 Weighted Average Price equal to or above \$2.65 are compliant for SY 2014-15. \$2.65 is the difference between the Free and Paid reimbursement rates for SY 2013-14.

Total Price Increase for SY 2014-15
\$ 0.09

Required price for SY 2014-15 (with 10 cent cap)
\$ 1.90

Remaining increase carried forward to SY 2015-16
\$ -

Remaining credit carried forward to SY 2015-16
\$ -

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Step 3 (Optional)

Pricing Estimation Calculator

Below is a tool allowing users to manipulate prices to achieve the required new weighted average price.

	Monthly # of Paid Lunches	Paid Lunch Price	Monthly Revenue	Weighted Average Price
1.	1,600	\$ 1.75	\$ 2,800.00	
2.	2,963	\$ 2.00	\$ 5,926.00	
3.			\$ -	
4.			\$ -	
5.			\$ -	
6.			\$ -	
7.			\$ -	
8.			\$ -	
9.			\$ -	
10.			\$ -	
TOTAL	4,563		\$ 8,726.00	\$ 1.91

Note: This tool is created to allow the user to only enter the number of paid lunches and the related prices. If any other parts of the tool are modified, the user runs the risk of calculating an incorrect new average price. Users should not modify the tool's current functionality.

SY2014-2015 Weighted Average Pricing Report

This report assists in tracking the pricing requirements and amounts carried forward for SY 2014-2015. Information on this report is used to determine the SY 2014-2015 weighted average price requirements.

Please print and keep in records.

NOTE: If information is changed in the tool, the report contents will change.

Section 1: SY2014-2015 Weighted Average Paid Price Requirements

A. SY 2014-15 Weighted Average Price Requirement*: <i>*This price will be entered into the SY 2014-2015 tool to determine the SY2014-2015 weighted average price requirements</i>	\$1.92
B. <i>Optional</i> Price ROUNDED DOWN to nearest 5 cents:	\$1.90

Section 2: Amounts Carried Forward to SY 2015-2016

Select the SY 2014-2015 method used to ensure sufficient funds are provided for PAID Lunches

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Average Weighted Price Adjustments

A. Remaining increase carried forward to SY 2015-16:	
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B. Remaining credit carried forward to SY 2015-16:	
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Non-Federal Source Contributions

C. Remaining Annual Non-Federal Source Contribution carried forward to SY 2015-16:	
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D. Remaining Credit carried forward to SY 2015-16:	
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Split Calculations

E. Remaining Annual Non-Federal Source Contribution carried forward to SY 2015-16:	
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F. Remaining Credit carried forward to SY 2015-16:	
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SY 2014-15 Non-Federal Contribution Calculator

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SY 2014-15 Weighted Average Price Requirement	
Requirement price to the nearest cent	Optional price ROUNDED DOWN to nearest 5 cent
\$ 1.92	\$ 1.90
<i>Note: Above prices are based on adjusting SY 2013-2014 price requirement by the 2% rate increase plus the Consumer Price Index (2.27%)</i>	

Current Weighted Average Paid Price	
Enter in the current weighted average paid lunch price. <i>Note: If SFA did not change the weighted average paid lunch price in SY2011-2012, SY2012-2013 or SY2013-14, enter the SY2010-11 weighted average price. Otherwise, click the link below.</i>	
\$ 1.81	Click here to determine SY2013-2014 weighted average price

Non-Federal Source Contribution Calculator for SY 2014-15		
Enter the total paid lunch count (for all prices).		
<i>** Annual Non-Federal Source funds for SY2014-2015 are estimated based on the annual lunch count entered below</i>		
Enter annual number of paid lunches for SY 2012-2013	TOTAL Price Increase for SY 2014-15	TOTAL SY 2014-15 Annual Non-Federal Source Contribution
37,986	\$ 0.09	\$ 3,418.74
<i>Note: Total price increase for SY 2014-2015 is based on the difference between the weighted average price entered above and SY 2014-2015 rounded DOWN requirement.</i>		

Enter total amount of Non-Federal Source Funds Contributed	Annual Non-Federal Source Contribution Requirement for SY 2014-15
\$ -	\$ 3,418.74

Price Increase Requirement for SY 2014-15 (with 10 cent cap)	SY 2014-15 Annual Non-Federal Source Contribution (with 10 cent cap)
\$ 0.09	\$ 3,418.74

Remaining Annual Non-Federal Source Contribution carried forward to SY 2015-16
\$ -

Remaining Credit carried forward to SY 2015-16
\$ -

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Note: This tool is created to allow the user to only enter the annual number of paid lunches and the amount of non-Federal Source funds contributed for SY 2014-15. If any other parts of the tool are modified, the user runs the risk of calculating an incorrect annual non-Federal source contribution. Users should not modify the tool's current functionality.

Superintendent's Memo #135-14**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education**

May 23, 2014

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Community Eligibility Provision (CEP): Application Process for School Year 2014-2015

Superintendent's Memo No. 066-14, dated March 21, 2014, provided guidance and general information about the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). All school divisions were required to submit a CEP Preliminary Data Collection Worksheet to the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE). This preliminary data identified the school sites with 40 percent or greater of *identified students* eligible for free meals as of April 1, 2014. This is the first criteria that must be met to be considered eligible to participate in the Community Eligibility Provision. The complete list of eligible divisions and schools is posted on the VDOE Web site at <http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/nutrition/statistics/index.shtml>.

School divisions that have divisionwide or school percentages of 40 percent or greater of *identified students* eligible for free meals as reported to VDOE are eligible to apply for the Community Eligibility Provision. To apply, complete the attached documents (CEP application) and submit them electronically to SNPwebdoc@doe.virginia.gov by June 30, 2014. **Two copies of the signature page with original signatures must be submitted by US Mail to:**

Virginia Department of Education
Office of School Nutrition Programs
P.O. Box 2120
Richmond, VA 23219

If the June 30 submission deadline is not met, the CEP application must be rejected as a federal requirement. Once a school division or school is approved, it may participate in the program for four consecutive years.

The VDOE must review the application to ensure the division/school meets the minimum *identified student* percentage, participates in both the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program, and has a record of administering the federal meal programs in accordance with program regulations, including the financial status of the school nutrition program. School divisions are encouraged to carefully analyze the financial impact of CEP on the overall school nutrition program budget. Financial considerations should be based on the anticipated level of federal reimbursement and other nonfederal support that may be available to cover any meal costs in excess of the federal reimbursement. If the cost of providing breakfasts and lunches to all students is not covered by the

federal reimbursement, the school division must cover the difference with nonfederal funds.

Training will be provided for eligible school divisions via a Webinar on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 (and may be repeated if necessary).

Topic: (SNP) Community Eligibility Provision: How to apply
Date: Tuesday, May 27, 2014
Time: 2 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time (New York, GMT-04:00)
Meeting number: 592 631 179
Meeting password: SNP2074

Web conference link: <https://intercall.webex.com/intercall/j.php?MTID=med173298ed9a6319dbece966d9e2e5a>.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the school nutrition program specialist assigned to your division or Catherine Digilio Grimes, director of school nutrition programs, via e-mail at catherine.digilio-grimes@doe.virginia.gov or by telephone at (804) 225-2074.

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Attachments:

- A. [Community Eligibility Provision Application Signature Page \(PDF\)](#)
- B. [Community Eligibility Provision Application \(XLS\)](#)

Attachment A

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LEA name	LEA ID	Identified Student Percentage (ISP)	Proxy Identified Student Percentage (ISP)	Eligible to Participate	Near Eligible to Participate	Participating and Eligible for a Grace Year
<i>Name of LEA for the school in column 1</i>	<i>LEA ID for the LEA entered in column 2</i>	<i>Identified student percentage</i>	<i>If applicable, enter the proxy percentage below for each school in column 1 Proxy percent = number of directly certified students with SNAP/enrollment</i>	<i>Place an "X" in this column if the school in column 1 is eligible to participate in CEP (ISP >=40%)</i>	<i>Place an "X" in this column if the school in column 1 is nearly eligible to participate in CEP (ISP >=30%)</i>	<i>Place an "X" in this column in the school in column 1 is currently in the 4th year of the participation and is eligible for a grace year (ISP >=30%)</i>
Amherst County	005	51.75%		X		
Amherst County	005	40.53%		X		
Amherst County	005	34.96%			X	
Appomattox County	006	41.00%		X		
Appomattox County	006	33.26%			X	
Arlington County	007	41.46%		X		
Augusta County	008	48.39%		X		
Augusta County	008	36.64%			X	
Augusta County	008	30.15%			X	
Bath County <i>Hillsboro</i>	009	39.20%			X	
Bath County <i>Valley</i>	009	30.45%			X	
Bedford County	010	40.21%		X		
Bedford County	010	39.86%			X	
Bedford County	010	37.17%			X	
Bedford County	010	36.22%			X	