

Community Eligibility Provision 2024-2025 School Year

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Gillingham Charter School will be implementing the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) in the 2024-2025 school year. This program is available to schools and districts that are participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

All enrolled students of Gillingham Charter School are eligible to receive a nutritional breakfast and lunch each school day at **no charge** to your household. That's Free Lunch and Free Breakfast for all enrolled students!

No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without paying a fee or submitting an application.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at 570-955-3830

Sincerely,

Gillingham Administration Food Service



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(2) Fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) E-mail: program.intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

ATTENTION: If you speak Spanish, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Contact your child's school.

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Comuníquese con la escuela de su niño.