

BOARD POLICY

Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District

Business & Non-Instructional Operations

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FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS

The Board of Education of the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District recognizes that a child's good health and physical well-being are essential to his or her opportunity for educational progress.

The superintendent or designee shall facilitate and encourage participation of all students, including those from low-income families, in the district's food service program.

The district shall provide at least one nutritionally adequate meal each school day, free of charge or at a reduced price, for students whose families meet the eligibility criteria. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that meals provided through the free and reduced-priced meal program meet applicable state and/or federal nutritional standards in accordance with the law, Board Policy, and administrative regulation.

All applications and records related to eligibility for the free and reduced-price meal program shall be confidential except as provided by law. If a student transfers to another district or to a private school, the Superintendent or designee may release the student's eligibility status or a copy of his/her meal application to the other district or school to assist in the continuation of student meal benefits.

The board authorizes designated employees to use individual records pertaining to student eligibility of the free and reduced-priced meal program for the purposes of:

- 1) Disaggregation of academic achievement data
- 2) Identification of students eligible for school choice and supplemental educational services in a school identified as a Title I program improvement school pursuant to 20 USC 6316,

LEGAL REFERENCE: Education Code Section 49490-49494, Pupil Nutrition, Health and Achievement Act of 2001

Section 49500-49505, School Meals for Pupils

Section 49510-49512, Pupil Nutrition

Section 49557-49558, Free/ Reduced Price meals

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