

THE USE OF FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS FOR DISAGGREGATION OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT DATA

The Board of Trustees recognizes that adequate nutrition is essential to child development and learning and that some families may be unable to provide breakfast and lunch for their children. In accordance with law, the district shall provide free and reduced price meals for students whose families meet federal eligibility criteria.

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend for Board approval a plan which ensures that eligible students are not treated differently from other students or easily identified by their peers.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to use individual records pertaining to student participation in any free and reduced price meal program solely for the purpose of disaggregating academic achievement data.

The Board further authorizes the release of information on the school lunch program application to the local agency that determines Medi-Cal program eligibility, provided that the student is approved for free meals and the parent/guardian consents to the sharing of information as provided by Education Code 49557.2

LEGAL REFERENCE**CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE**

48980	Notices at beginning of term
49490-49493	School breakfast and lunch programs
49500-49505	School meals
49510-49520	Nutrition
49530-49536	Child Nutrition Act of 1974
49547-49548.3	Comprehensive nutrition service
49550-49560	Meals for needy students

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15510	Mandatory meals for needy students
15530-15535	Nutrition educators
15550-15565	School lunch and breakfast programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6301-6514	Title I programs
1232g	Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1751-1769	National lunch programs
1771-1791	Child nutrition
1773	School breakfast program