

[September 26, 2022]

Dear Central Valley School District families,

On Friday, September 9, 2022, Governor Tom Wolf announced that Pennsylvania will make it possible for all schools participating in the School Breakfast Program (SBP) to provide free breakfasts for all enrolled students during the 22-23 school year, beginning with breakfast meals served October 1, 2022.

"It is completely unacceptable for a child to start the day hungry," Wolf said in a statement. "I'm taking hunger off the table for Pennsylvania kids by creating the Universal Free Breakfast Program. Regardless of whether or not they qualify for free or reduced meals normally, every student enrolled in public or private schools will have the opportunity to feed their belly before they feed their mind this school year."

This is regardless of student or family eligibility for the free and reduced lunch program. You will not need to enroll your student in order to participate in free school breakfast.

"While lunch and à la carte items will continue to be paid, we're thrilled that every student will have access to a healthy, nutritious and delicious breakfast at no cost to them or their families," said Nancy Kohl, President of K-12 at The Nutrition Group.

We're ready for the best year yet! Together, we can ensure your children have nutritious meals at school for their optimal health and well-being. Our simple mission continues to shine through every aspect of our business: Caring for People. Serving Great Food.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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