Dear Parent or Guardian:

Your child(ren) has been directly certified/approved for [ ]  free [ ]  reduced-price meals because of participation in Medicaid programs.

Name(s) of Children: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Child's Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Child's Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Child's Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Child's Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_DATE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your child(ren) are directly certified/approved for *free* meals, you do not need to submit a Child Nutrition Eligibility & Education Benefit Application. Children directly certified for *reduced-price* meals may actually be eligible for free meals due to difference in Medicaid programs and USDA school meal programs. If you feel you may be eligible for free meals based on household size and income, please submit a Child Nutrition Eligibility & Education Benefit Application.

If you feel that other students in the household may be eligible for benefits or if you do not want your child to receive benefits, please contact \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_NAME, TITLE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Your child(ren) is approved for meal benefits for the entire school year and will continue to receive meals at no cost.

Your child(ren) qualify for Summer EBT (SUN Bucks), and you will not need to submit an additional Summer EBT application. Your child(ren) may also qualify for reduced fees, or other school benefits. Providing a copy of this “Notice of Eligibility” to the school office will verify eligibility for certain programs for your child(ren) may qualify for. Contact the school office for more information about individual programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs (including Summer EBT), auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_NAME\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_TITLE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_DATE\_\_\_\_

 **Name Title Date**

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mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights

1400 Independence Avenue, SW

Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

fax:

(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

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