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NO COST MEALS PROVIDED TO 100% OF GDOE STUDENTS THROUGH COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION

The Guam Department of Education (“GDOE”) State Agency for Child Nutrition Programs is pleased to announce school meals provided at **NO COST** to all 41 GDOE schools through the Community Eligibility Provision (“CEP”). The CEP was first piloted in 21 of the 41 GDOE public schools in School Year (SY) 2014-2015. This coming school year, all 41 GDOE public schools, or 100% of campuses, will be participating in the CEP.

The CEP is a new option available to students participating in the United States Department of Agriculture National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program. All enrolled students in schools implementing the CEP are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at **NO COST** each day of the 2018-2019 school year. Additionally, enrolled students in the program will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or having family households submit a meal application to the participating school.

A total of 36 schools participated in the CEP last school year. The additional five schools participating in SY 2018-2019 are as follows:

Simon Sanchez High School
John F. Kennedy High School
F.B. Leon Guerrero Middle School
Jose Rios Middle School
Luis P. Untalan Middle School

School menu information for SY 2018-2019 is also available on the Food and Nutrition Services Management Division website, and on the GDOE website “Back to School” page. Parents can also learn about the latest back to school updates by visiting the official GDOE social media accounts on Facebook, Twitter (@guamdoe) and Instagram (@guamdoe).

For additional information about the CEP program, please call the Guam State Agency for Child Nutrition Programs at 300-1263.

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