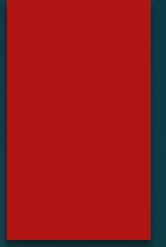




Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

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What is the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)



- ▶ Community eligibility allows schools to offer breakfast and lunch to all students at no cost.
- ▶ Removes the burden of processing free & reduced household applications
- ▶ Uses Directly Certified/Categorically Eligible student data as of April 1st of the prior school year
- ▶ Provision program that operates on a 4-Year Cycle
- ▶ Eliminates negative balances

Charlottesville City Schools CEP Growth

- ▶ SY 2018-2019 The district began participating in program at Johnson, Jackson Via and Clark.
- ▶ SY 2021-2022 The district added Walker, Buford and CHS.
- ▶ SY 2023-2024 The district submitted an application to add Burnley-Moran, Greenbrier and Venable.



Success of Participating in CEP

- ▶ Increased participation
- ▶ Eliminate negative balances
- ▶ Erased stigma of free lunch



Where we Stand in the Application Process

- ▶ Our application currently says pending approval.
- ▶ It may take several weeks for our application to say final approval
- ▶ They work in the order that applications have been received.
- ▶ All of our CEP numbers have been validated.
- ▶ DOE has communicated we can move forward with the plans to implement CEP district wide.