Media Release for Free and Reduced-Priced Meals

Leggett ISD today announced its policy for providing free and reduced-priced meals for children serviced under the National School Breakfast and Lunch Program. Each school or the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria indentified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits. Children from the households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for few or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for the benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

Applications forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced-priced meal for their children. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced-priced meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

For school official to determine eligibility for free and reduced-priced benefits, households receiving food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) only have to list their child's name and food stamp TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Household that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member, and the Social Security number, the household member must indicate that a Social Security number is not available by writing the word "NONE", NO NUMBER, or some indication that the person does not have a Social Security number. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provision of the free and reduced-priced meal policy, applications will be reviewed and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on a informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Leggett ISD Administration office at P.O. Box 68,Leggett,TX,77350 Phone (936)398-2804

In a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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Income Eligibility Guidelines

Household Size	Year	Month	Twice Per	Every Two	- Week
7.3	\$21,978	\$ 1,832	\$ 916	\$ 846	\$ 423
2	29,637	2,470	1,235	1,140	570
3	37,286	3,108	1,554	1,435	718
4	44,955	3,747	1,874	1,730	865
5	52,614	4,385	2,193	2,024	1,012
6	60,273	5,023	2,512	2,319	1,160
7	67,951	5,663	2,832	2,614	1,307
8	75,647	6,304	3,152	2,910	1,455
For each ad	dalonal family	member, ad	ld:		
	\$ 7,696	\$ 642	\$ 321	\$ 296	\$ 148

Gula de Ingresos Elegibles

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