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To: All Principals
Through: Brenda Blanton
From: Alyssia Waters
Re: Free and Reduced Benefits

Thank you for your continued efforts with the distribution of household applications for determining Free or Reduced Price Meal Eligibility. We have processed many applications, but there are still households who have not reapplied for free or reduced price meal benefits for the 2009-2010 SY.

The goal of the School Nutrition Department is to identify and provide all eligible students meal benefits. To do that your continued support is needed. Below is an announcement for Friday Notes or any communication to parents and/or students. This note will remind the household that they must reapply for benefits each year. **If the household does not reapply they will be terminated from the program on September 21st.** Notification letters have been sent through the cafeteria manager to households who have not reapplied. Each cafeteria manager also received a list of students in their school who are currently on a temporary grace approval until September 21st. These are the students that will lose their eligibility benefits if an application is not received by the deadline. They have been asked to share the list with you.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (404)305-2220.

ITEM FOR SCHOOL LEVEL FRIDAY NOTES OR DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEAL BENEFITS

To continue free or reduced price meal benefits for students each household must complete a new application each year. Free and Reduced Meal Benefits will end on September 21, 2009, if the household has not reapplied for SY 2009-2010. If there is an interruption in benefits or the household does not reapply, the household is responsible for payment of meals until the Free and Reduced Application is approved. To help assure continuation of benefits, the household must have a new application turned in to the school cafeteria manager before September 16, 2009. Be sure to list all the students in the household on the application. Keep in mind, the application may take up to 10-days to process. If you have any questions, please call the Fulton County School Nutrition Program - Meal Eligibility Desk at (404)305-2220.