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## Letter to Parents for School Meal Programs Special Provision Options (Provision 2 Non-Base Year & Community Eligibility Provision)

## Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that <u>Academy Charter School K-12</u> will be implementing a meal certification option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for <u>2024-2025</u> **What does this mean for your child(ren) attending the school(s) identified above?** 

All students enrolled at Academy Charter School K-12 are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at <u>no charge</u> to your household each day of the 2024-2025 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit an application.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at Michael Banschback (516) 408.2200 ext.120

Sincerely,
Academy Charter School Administration
117 N Franklin St.
Hempstead N.Y. 11550

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