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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 Westminster Community Charter School will be implementing a meal certification option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for the 2023-2024 school year.

What does this mean for your child(ren) attending the school(s) identified above?

All students enrolled at Westminster Community Charter School are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **no charge** to your household each day of the 2023-2024 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) can 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 Westminster Community Charter School, 24 Westminster Ave., Buffalo, NY 14215, 716-816-3450

Sincerely,

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- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
- (2) fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Public Announcement for School Meals Special Provision Options (Provision 2 Non-Base Year & Community Eligibility Provision)

The Westminster Community Charter school today announced an amendment to its policy for serving meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program for the 2023-2024 school year. This amendment would allow all children at all schools/sites to be served meals at no charge.

For additional information, please get in touch with the following person:

Westminster Community Charter School
Attention: Nakisa Grant
Registrar
24 Westminster Ave.
Buffalo, NY 14215
nlgrant@westmisterccs.org

PLEASE NOTE: This notice **can** be sent to the local media and your local unemployment office at the beginning of each school year. The school or district may request the media to print the entire notice. The media **are not required to print** any of the notice. The school or district must maintain on file a copy of the letter to the media and the article (if printed). The school or district should not pay to have this notice printed.

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