



# Taking a Fresh Look at CEP

April 27, 2021

# Welcome

- Please put your name, title, and school in the chat
- The first portion of the meeting will be recorded, but only speakers will be visible in the recording
- Slides and recording will be shared with attendees after the meeting

# Today's Agenda



- Welcome
  - What is CEP?
  - Testimonial from a CEP school
  - SNAP Outreach resources
    - Food. Love. Ohana campaign
    - SNAP Outreach network
  - Regional breakout sessions
  - Next steps and Q&A
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# What is CEP?

- 1) Certified Eligible Partnerships
- 2) Community Eligibility Provision
- 3) Certified Environmental Professional
- 4) Carrots Eggplants Parsnips



# What is CEP?

## 2) Community Eligibility Provision

CEP allows eligible schools to provide meals to all students at no cost to the student



# What qualifies my school for CEP?

- 1) Greater than 62.5% Free and Reduced Percentage
- 2) Title 1 Status
- 3) Greater than 40% Directly Certification Percentage
- 4) All of the Above



# What qualifies my school for CEP?

## 3) Greater than 40% Directly Certification Percentage

While USDA rules require at least 40% of the schools students directly certified (SNAP, TANF, Migrant, Foster, Homeless) HIDOE may choose a percentage closer to 62.5% to ensure a 100% reimbursement rate from the USDA.



# My Title 1 status will be affected

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) Maybe





# My Title 1 status will be affected

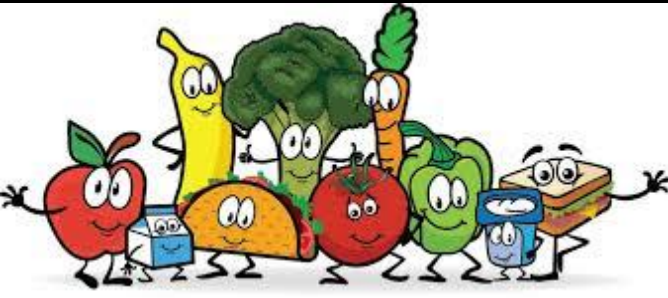
According to a memo dated November 16, 2020, Subject: Title I Eligibility for SY 2021-2022, for schools applying the CEP in the current school year, the Total Lunch count is a product of the total number of students certified by a 1.6 multiplier. The total lunch count is divided by the official enrollment count (OEC) to determine Title I eligibility. The eligibility cutoff for Title I is currently 47.20%.

For more information, please contact the School Transformation Branch.



# CEP can reduce the stigma around free and reduced-price meals

- 1) True
- 2) False



# CEP can reduce the stigma around free and reduced-price meals

## 1) True

Students will not be identified as free or reduced, or singled out for having school lunch debt.



# CEP....

- Eliminates unpaid meal debt
- Reduces administrative burden
- Promotes equity and reduces stigma
- Reduces stress for families
- Fights hunger
- Improves student outcomes
- Provides a platform for innovative meal services
- Makes all students eligible for pEBT





# Fern Elementary's experience with CEP

Principal Glen Miyasato





# Food. Love. 'Ohana.

Learn more at [snapbenefits.hawaii.gov](https://snapbenefits.hawaii.gov)

## Food. Love. 'Ohana.

Tools for talking to families about SNAP

### Press kit includes:

- SNAP Fact sheet
- Key messaging
- Testimonials from Hawai'i SNAP families
- Graphics for websites, e-newsletters, and social media
- Social media captions (long and short versions)

# SNAP Outreach Resources



## Hawaii Island:

Hawaii Food Basket  
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## O'ahu (Waianae Coast; Nanakuli to Makaha)

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## Maui

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## Kaua'i

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Statewide: Aloha United Way

CALL 211

# Regional breakout groups

## [Google slides link](#)

1. Introductions - Name and school, put in the chat
2. What support are you currently able to offer families?
3. What support do you need? (Marketing, interpretation services, navigating administrative challenges, linkages to other community groups, etc)
4. What is the preferred method for communicating with families?
5. Are there any other questions that you'd like to have answered?



# Next steps

- Deadline for increasing direct certification: May 24 (May 17 deadline for SNAP applications to be in)
- Determination date and memo for 2021-22 school year

# Q & A with our speakers

- Dexter Kishida, Food Access Coordinator, Honolulu County
- Glen Miyasato, Principal, Fern Elementary School
- James Li, SNAP Outreach Coordinator Lanakila Pacific
- Christine Lau, Blackletter Media Group
- Jeremy Koki, DOE School Food Services Branch

Thank you for joining us today!

General questions:

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