

## **FREE AND REDUCED PRICE FOOD SERVICES**

The Maggie L. Walker Governor's School offers a credit program for students who may need financial assistance with their meals. In order for a Maggie L. Walker Governor's School student to qualify for a credit toward the cost of breakfast and lunch, they or their household must receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program (SNAP) and/or Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF) from the Department of Social Services. Foster, group home, and refugee children also qualify for meal credits. There is no qualifying for meal credits under income guidelines.

School officials will determine student eligibility based on guidelines established by federal law. Eligible students will be provided nutritionally acceptable meals and milk free or at a reduced cost if the student's local school division food program resources are available. The director or designee will establish rules and procedures as needed to implement this policy.

The criteria for determining a student's eligibility and the procedures for securing free and reduced-price meals and milk will be publicly announced at the beginning of each school year and provided to parents of all children in attendance at Maggie L. Walker Governor's School.

The school's policy with regard to situations in which a student who is eligible for a reduced-price meal does not have money on account or in hand to cover the portion of the cost of the meal at the time of service is stated in Policy 4003 School Meals and Snacks. Policy 4003 School Meals and Snacks is delivered to all households at the start of the school year and to households that transfer into the school during the school year.

The students who participate in the free or reduced-cost meals and milk programs will not be overtly identified, distinguished, or served differently than other students.

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Legal Refs.: 42 U.S.C. §§ 1751 et seq., 1771 et seq.

7 C.F.R. §§ 210.9, 220.20, 245.5, 245.8.

Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, § 22.1-207.3.

8 VAC 20-290-10.

Cross Refs:	Pol 4075	Student Wellness
	Pol 4003	School Meals and Snacks
	Reg 7006-R	School Meal Credit Program