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## **Dear Parents and Guardians:**

We are pleased to announce that Lynden District school meal program will be supplemented by Meals for Washington Students funds. Meals for Washington Students funds are available to select WA schools participating in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.

What does this mean for my student(s) who attend Lynden School District Elementary? In schools supplemented by Meals for Washington Students funds, all students receive a nutritious breakfast and lunch at no cost, regardless of family income.

## Why is Lynden School District requesting financial information?

The information you provide by returning the free and reduced-price meal application impacts the funding that each school receives from the federal and state government. The Meal Application is used to capture information and ensure the **Lynden School District** receives all of the funding it is entitled to for federal meal programs and state educational programs.

## How will this information be protected?

In keeping with current practices, all applications and information gathered is always kept confidential.

## What do I need to do?

Please complete the attached form and return it to your child's school office or to the address listed on the application. Your assistance in helping us maintain our current funding levels is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact Narlene Van Beek at (360) 354-7579.

Sincerely,

Narlene Van Beek Food Service Director