

CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Child Nutrition notice requirements pertain to the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, and the Special Milk Program. The Keystone Central School District Food Services web page (<https://www.kcsd.k12.pa.us/food-services-76cd1056>) is informational and appears to include the four (4) required items, see below. Sharon Berger, Food Service Director should be complimented for setting up such a helpful informational page. The only change that I can suggest is that the box toward the bottom of the page titled "School Wellness Committee" contains the School District's Wellness Policy and may better be titled "School District Wellness Policy." (The other box toward the top of the page titled "School Wellness Committee" likely should remain the same.)

Required Items:

- Meal Application, and information about the application form
- Information must be provided to both parents and the public about free and reduced-price meals and/or free milk.
- Wellness Policy and information about its implementation. The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act requires the KCSD to inform and update the public (including parents, students, and others in the community) about the content and implementation of the KCSD wellness policies. It also must periodically measure and report on implementation of its wellness policies, including: (1) the extent to which KCSD schools are in compliance with its wellness policy; (2) the extent to which the wellness policy of the KCSD compares to model local school wellness policies; and (3) the progress made in attaining the goals of the KCSD wellness policy.
- Students requiring modified diets. The USDA provides requirements for accommodating children with disabilities who participate in School Meal Programs. With the help of school food service staff, KCSD must implement procedures to enable parents and guardians to request modifications to meal services for their children with disabilities. KCSD must notify parents and guardians of both the process (1) to request meal modifications that accommodate the child's needs; and (2) information about resolving disputes.

If at least 80 percent of KCSD enrolled students have free or reduced-price meal eligibility, additional annual notification of program availability and certification are required. However, based on our telephone conversation you do not believe this applies, estimating that approximately 50% of the students are eligible.

Therefore, the Child Nutrition Program Annual Notification could refer to the Keystone Central School District's Food Services link at <https://www.kcsd.k12.pa.us/food-services-76cd1056>.