

Davenport Community Schools Fee Waiver

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Community Eligibility Plan (CEP) that was recently approved by the Board?

CEP is a program under the Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. Students in qualifying schools will receive breakfast and lunch during the school year at no charge to their families. With this expansion the district is implementing a district-wide Fee Waiver process so families can apply separately to have their fees waived in addition to their meal benefits.

My child is attending one of the schools covered under the CEP program. Does that mean he/she automatically received a fee waiver, as well?

No. The fee waiver is not automatic for any Davenport Community Schools student. Families may be considered for a fee waiver and other benefits for their student(s) by completing a simple, one-page Household Economic Survey. The survey asks for the number of people in your household, the total annual income for all people in the household, the name/school/grade level of all Davenport Community Schools students in the household, a signature and phone number. The form will be available online and at your school office.

Do I need to complete a Household Economic Survey form for each of my children?

No. You will only need to complete one form for all of the students in your household.

My children already receive school meals at no charge. Why should I complete this form?

In addition to be considered to receive a fee waiver, many state and federal programs use household and income information to determine eligibility for their programs. Completing this form allows your school to determine your child's eligibility for additional programs.

Who should I include as members of my household?

You must include all persons living in your household, related or not, who share income and expenses. Please include yourself and all children living with you.

What if my income is not always the same?

List the amount you normally receive. Do not include overtime pay if you only work over time sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours/wages reduced, use your current income.

We are in the military. Do we include our housing allowance as income?

If you receive an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. If your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.

My spouse is deployed to a combat zone. Is his/her combat pay counted as income?

If the combat pay was not received prior to he/she was deployed and is received in addition to his/her basic pay due because of his/her deployment it should not be counted as income.