Press Release for the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

School Year 2023-24

On July 14, 2023, the East Hartford Public Schools issued the press release to the following news media outlets and other relevant entities (e.g., the local unemployment office and major employers contemplating layoffs):

1.	Hartford Courant
2.	East Hartford Gazette
3.	East Hartford Housing Authority
4.	Connecticut Labor Department

The East Hartford Public Schools announces its participation in the Community Eligibility Program (CEP) for school year 2023-24. All students enrolled at the schools listed below may participate in the breakfast and lunch program at no charge. Household applications are not required to receive free meals, but alternate income forms may be distributed by the school to collect household income data for other programs that require this information. The CEP is part of the federally funded National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.

All students will be served breakfast and lunch at no charge at the following sites: Goodwin Elem., Hockanum ECLC, Norris Elem., Mayberry Elem., Pitkin Elem., Langford Elem., O'Brien Elem., O'Connell Elem., Silver Lane Elem., Sunset Ridge, East Hartford Middle School, East Hartford High School, Stevens Alternative High School, Woodland School, And CT IB Academy High School.

Persons interested in receiving more information should contact:

	Sponsor name:		Karen Petrella, Meal Program Coordinator, East Hartford Public Schools				
	Sponsor	address:	734 Tolland Street				
	City:	East Hartf	ord	State:	СТ	Sponsor phone:	860-622-5967
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- mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
 Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
 1400 Independence Avenue, SW
 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
- 2. fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. email: program.intake@usda.gov

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