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Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to announce that all students attending school in Chittenango Central School District will be able to receive a FREE breakfast and lunch meal at school beginning on Nov. 1, 2023.

As a result of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) expanding access to the federal Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) on Sept. 26, 2023, Chittenango CSD became eligible for the first time. CEP allows eligible schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs to offer school meals at no charge to all students. New York State Education Department opened a mid-year application process for school districts in October and Chittenango CSD has been approved for the earliest available start on Nov. 1, 2023.

What does this mean for your child(ren)?

Effective Nov. 1, 2023 all students enrolled at Chittenango High School, Chittenango Middle School, Bolivar Road Elementary and Bridgeport Elementary will receive meals at no cost to your household (costs for second meals, a la cart items, etc. still apply). No further action is required of you.

If you have any further questions, please contact Matt Morkel, Chittenango Food Service at 315-687-2847.

Sincerely,

**Matthew Morkel**  
Food Service Director