

A new section to chapter 15.1-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Section 1. Electronic Collection of Free and Reduced-Price Meal Eligibility Information – Requirement.

1. Each school district shall annually provide an electronic form to all parents or guardians of enrolled students to collect household income information necessary to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program and other relevant federal and state assistance programs.
2. The electronic form must be made available to all parents or guardians at the beginning of the eligibility period or beginning of each school year and must be designed to facilitate ease of completion and submission.
3. A school district shall offer a paper form upon request of a parent or guardian who prefers a non-electronic submission method.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act becomes effective for the ~~2025-2026~~ school year.

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