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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Child Nutrition Programs—Income Eligibility Guidelines

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces the Department's annual adjustments to the Income Eligibility Guidelines to be used in determining eligibility for free and reduced price meals and free milk for the period from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. These guidelines are used by schools, institutions, and facilities participating in the National School Lunch Program (and Commodity School Program), School Breakfast Program, Special Milk Program for Children, Child and Adult Care Food Program and Summer Food Service Program. The annual adjustments are required by section 9 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act. The guidelines are intended to direct benefits to those children most in need and are revised annually to account for changes in the Consumer Price Index.

DATES: *Effective Date:* July 1, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William Wagoner, Supervisory Program Analyst, School Programs Section, Child Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA, Alexandria, Virginia 22302, or by phone at (703) 305-2590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601-612) and thus is exempt from the provisions of that Act.

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507), no recordkeeping or reporting requirements have been included that are subject to approval from the Office of Management and Budget.

This notice has been determined to be not significant and was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget in conformance with Executive Order 12866.

The affected programs are listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.553, No. 10.555, No. 10.556, No. 10.558 and No. 10.559 and are subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 7 CFR part 3015, subpart V, and the final rule related notice published at 48 FR 29114, June 24, 1983.)

Background

Pursuant to sections 9(b)(1) and 17(c)(4) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)(1) and 42 U.S.C. 1766(c)(4)), and sections 3(a)(6) and 4(e)(1)(A) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1772(a)(6) and 1773(e)(1)(A)), the Department annually issues the Income Eligibility Guidelines for free and reduced price meals for the National School Lunch Program (7 CFR part 210), the Commodity School Program (7 CFR part 210), School Breakfast Program (7 CFR part 220), Summer Food Service Program (7 CFR part 225) and Child and Adult Care Food Program (7 CFR part 226) and the guidelines for free milk in the Special Milk Program for Children (7 CFR part 215). These eligibility guidelines are based on the Federal income poverty guidelines and are stated by household size. The guidelines are used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price meals and free milk in accordance with applicable program rules.

Definition of Income

In accordance with the Department's policy as provided in the Food and Nutrition Service publication *Eligibility Manual for School Meals*, "income," as the term is used in this Notice, means income before any deductions such as income taxes, Social Security taxes, insurance premiums, charitable contributions and bonds. It includes the following: (1) Monetary compensation for services, including wages, salary, commissions or fees; (2) net income from nonfarm self-employment; (3) net income from farm self-employment; (4) Social Security; (5) dividends or interest on savings or bonds or income from estates or trusts; (6) net rental income;

(7) public assistance or welfare payments; (8) unemployment compensation; (9) government civilian employee or military retirement, or pensions or veterans payments; (10) private pensions or annuities; (11) alimony or child support payments; (12) regular contributions from persons not living in the household; (13) net royalties; and (14) other cash income. Other cash income would include cash amounts received or withdrawn from any source including savings, investments, trust accounts and other resources that would be available to pay the price of a child's meal.

"Income," as the term is used in this Notice, does *not* include any income or benefits received under any Federal programs that are excluded from consideration as income by any statutory prohibition. Furthermore, the value of meals or milk to children shall not be considered as income to their households for other benefit programs in accordance with the prohibitions in section 12(e) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and section 11(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1760(e) and 1780(b)).

The Income Eligibility Guidelines

The following are the Income Eligibility Guidelines to be effective from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. The Department's guidelines for free meals and milk and reduced price meals were obtained by multiplying the year 2011 Federal income poverty guidelines by 1.30 and 1.85, respectively, and by rounding the result upward to the next whole dollar.

This Notice displays only the annual Federal poverty guidelines issued by the Department of Health and Human Services because the monthly and weekly Federal poverty guidelines are not used to determine the Income Eligibility Guidelines. The chart details the free and reduced price eligibility criteria for monthly income, income received twice monthly (24 payments per year), income received every two weeks (26 payments per year) and weekly income.

Income calculations are made based on the following formulas: Monthly income is calculated by dividing the annual income by 12; twice monthly income is computed by dividing annual income by 24; income received every two weeks is calculated by dividing annual income by 26; and weekly

income is computed by dividing annual income by 52. All numbers are rounded upward to the next whole dollar. The numbers reflected in this notice for a

family of four in the 48 contiguous States, the District of Columbia, Guam and the territories represent an increase

of 1.4% over last year's level for a family of the same size.

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INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES												
		Effective from						to				
		July 1, 2011						June 30, 2012				
HOUSEHOLD SIZE	FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES	REDUCED PRICE MEALS - 185 %						FREE MEALS - 130 %				
	ANNUAL	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	WEEKLY	
48 CONTIGUOUS STATES, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, GUAM, AND TERRITORIES												
1	10,890	20,147	1,679	840	775	388	14,157	1,180	590	545	273	
2	14,710	27,214	2,268	1,134	1,047	524	19,123	1,594	797	736	368	
3	18,530	34,281	2,857	1,429	1,319	660	24,089	2,008	1,004	927	464	
4	22,350	41,348	3,446	1,723	1,591	796	29,055	2,422	1,211	1,118	559	
5	26,170	48,415	4,035	2,018	1,863	932	34,021	2,836	1,418	1,309	655	
6	29,990	55,482	4,624	2,312	2,134	1,067	38,987	3,249	1,625	1,500	750	
7	33,810	62,549	5,213	2,607	2,406	1,203	43,953	3,663	1,832	1,691	846	
8	37,630	69,616	5,802	2,901	2,678	1,339	48,919	4,077	2,039	1,882	941	
For each add'l family member, add	3,820	7,067	589	295	272	136	4,966	414	207	191	96	
ALASKA												
1	13,600	25,160	2,097	1,049	968	484	17,680	1,474	737	680	340	
2	18,380	34,003	2,834	1,417	1,308	654	23,894	1,992	996	919	460	
3	23,160	42,846	3,571	1,786	1,648	824	30,108	2,509	1,255	1,158	579	
4	27,940	51,689	4,308	2,154	1,989	995	36,322	3,027	1,514	1,397	699	
5	32,720	60,532	5,045	2,523	2,329	1,165	42,536	3,545	1,773	1,636	818	
6	37,500	69,375	5,782	2,891	2,669	1,335	48,750	4,063	2,032	1,875	938	
7	42,280	78,218	6,519	3,260	3,009	1,505	54,964	4,581	2,291	2,114	1,057	
8	47,060	87,061	7,256	3,628	3,349	1,675	61,178	5,099	2,550	2,353	1,177	
For each add'l family member, add	4,780	8,843	737	369	341	171	6,214	518	259	239	120	
HAWAII												
1	12,540	23,199	1,934	967	893	447	16,302	1,359	680	627	314	
2	16,930	31,321	2,611	1,306	1,205	603	22,009	1,835	918	847	424	
3	21,320	39,442	3,287	1,644	1,517	759	27,716	2,310	1,155	1,066	533	
4	25,710	47,564	3,964	1,982	1,830	915	33,423	2,786	1,393	1,286	643	
5	30,100	55,685	4,641	2,321	2,142	1,071	39,130	3,261	1,631	1,505	753	
6	34,490	63,807	5,318	2,659	2,455	1,228	44,837	3,737	1,869	1,725	863	
7	38,880	71,928	5,994	2,997	2,767	1,384	50,544	4,212	2,106	1,944	972	
8	43,270	80,050	6,671	3,336	3,079	1,540	56,251	4,688	2,344	2,164	1,082	
For each add'l family member, add	4,390	8,122	677	339	313	157	5,707	476	238	220	110	

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Julia Paradis,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Hamilton, Montana. The purpose of the meeting is presentation on research of generating plants that have been built and project reviews.

DATES: The meeting will be held April 26, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at 1801 N. First Street. Written comments should be sent to Stevensville RD, 88 Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to dritter@fs.fed.us or via facsimile to 406-777-5461.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at 88 Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 406-777-5461 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel G. Ritter, District Ranger, or Nancy Trotter, Coordinator 406-777-5461.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information

Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Council discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Council members. However, persons who wish to bring biohazards use matters to the attention of the Council may file written statements with the Council staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by April 25, 2011 will have the opportunity to address the Council at those sessions.

Dated: March 17, 2011.

Julie K. King,

Forest Supervisor.

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