## Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Schools and Student in Iowa (SRI) Reporting

Districts that are CEP in a school, need to collect the income status of families in order to determine which students are eligible for free or reduced lunch. This is done via the household income survey. If a student is eligible for free or reduced lunch, this information needs to be entered into the Student Information System (SIS) in the same manner as if an eligibility form was submitted. If a student is not eligible, that also needs to be reported using the Free or Reduced SRI indicators in the SIS. The household information survey information will not be reported directly to the Department but kept by the district and used as the basis for reporting Free or Reduced Prices Lunch eligibility.

Sample templates for the household economics survey can be found on the <u>Department</u> website.

## **SRI Data Elements**

## Free Lunch:

Does the student meet income guidelines for free lunch at the time of submission? Y/N

## Reduced Lunch:

Does the student meet income guidelines for reduced lunch at the time of submission? Y/N

The CEP status of a building does not dictate whether its students meet Free/Reduced Lunch income guidelines.

'Meet income guidelines' for CEP (and non-CEP) buildings is defined as meeting income guidelines through Direct Certification and/or a Household Economic Survey.

More information on the CEP Program can be found <u>here</u>.

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