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Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that **Central Square Central School District** will be implementing a meal certification option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for 2024-2025.

What does this mean for your child(ren) attending the school(s) identified above?

All students enrolled at A. A. Cole Elementary, Brewerton Elementary, Hastings-Mallory Elementary, Millard Hawk Elementary, Central Square Middle School and Paul. V. Moore High School are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at <u>no charge</u> to your household each day of the 2024-2025 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee. Ala carte items such as milk purchases without a complete meal, ice cream, snacks, second meals, items in Character Café at Central Square Middle School and items in Skool Beanz at Paul V. Moore High School will still be available for purchase but are not covered by this program. In order to purchase these items money must be on a student's account or they must pay at the time of purchase. No charging will be allowed.

In order to continue offering this program and several others in future years, families must complete the following application in this packet and return it to their child(ren)'s school unless they receive a Direct Certification letter in the mail from the school.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at (315) 668-4220 ext. 70356.

Sincerely

Amy Catlin

School Lunch Director

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 Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
 1400 Independence Avenue, SW
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- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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