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Thirteen CREC Locations to Serve Free Breakfast and Lunch to All Students for 2024-2025 School Year

(Hartford, Conn.) CREC (Capitol Region Education Council) is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) as part of the National School Lunch Program for the school year 2024-25. Under this provision, participating districts and schools provide free breakfast and lunch to all students at all times. All students enrolled at the following schools will receive meals through the School Breakfast Program, National School Lunch Program, and the Seamless Summer Option at no charge. Household income applications are no longer required to determine eligibility for free or reduced-priced meals at schools participating in the CEP. The CEP is part of the federally funded National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.

All students will be served breakfast and lunch at no charge at the following sites:

- CREC Academy of Aerospace and Engineering (6-12)
- CREC Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School (PreK-5)
- CREC Academy of Computer Science and Engineering (9-12)
- CREC Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School (6-8)
- CREC Academy of International Studies (6-12)
- CREC Academy of International Studies Elementary (PreK-5)
- CREC Academy of Science and Innovation (6-12)
- CREC Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School (PreK-8)
- CREC Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Full Day (9-12)
- CREC Impact Academy (9-12)
- CREC John J. Allison Jr. Polaris Center
- CREC Reggio Magnet School of the Arts (PreK-5)
- CREC University of Hartford Magnet School (PreK-5)

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