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RFP 20-02 Addendum 1

Food Service Management Company

Option for Community Eligibility Provision (C.E.P.)

## Background

## **RFP 20-02** refers to the CEP in section E. 13 and the district would like to obtain pricing on implementing CEP in the 2020-21 school year.

"The CEP provides an alternate approach for offering school meals in local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools in low-income areas, instead of collecting individual household applications for free and reduced price meals. The CEP allows schools that predominantly serve low-income children to offer free, nutritious school meals to all students through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP). LEAs are eligible to participate in the CEP if the Identified Student Percentage (ISP) for the entire district, groups of schools, or individual schools meets or exceeds 40 percent. The ISP is calculated by dividing the total number of identified students by the total student enrollment. Participation in the CEP is not mandatory, even if an LEA meets eligibility requirements."

Currently Stamford Public Schools has 7 buildings that are eligible to participate in the Community Eligibility Provision of the National School Lunch Program (KT Murphy, Springdale, Westover, Toquam, Dolan, Cloonan and Rippowam) and 11 buildings that are "neareligible" to participate (Newfield, Roxbury, Stark, Davenport, Stillmeadow, Hart, Turn of River, Scofield, Stamford High, Westhill High and AITE).

## **Requested Information:**

The district would like to obtain pricing (similar format to the existing program) under the assumption that ALL buildings will be eligible and participate in the C.E.P. starting in the 2020-21 school year.