Due to regulations, all school food authorities (SFAs) or institutions must submit annually a public release to the informational media, local unemployment offices, any companies contemplating layoffs in that district's area, grassroots organizations, and interested individuals upon request.

Date submitted to news media: August 16, 2019

Name(s) of media outlets and companies submitted to: Durant Daily Democrat

Bennington Public School (Name of SFA) announced today it is participating in a free breakfast and/or lunch program for school year 2019-2020. All students enrolled in the district or the listed sites may participate in the breakfast and/or lunch program at no charge. Provision 2 and 3 schools and CEP schools will not collect household applications for free and reduced meals.

☐ District-wide ☐ Provision 2 ☐ Non-Pricing

☐ Partial (list sites that are participating) ☐ Provision 3 ☐ CEP

By providing breakfast and/or lunch to all children at no charge, we can create a better learning environment for our students. The school breakfast and lunch we serve follows U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines for healthy school meals. The program cannot succeed without your support. Please encourage your children to participate in the school meal programs.

All meals are served to all students at no charge.

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   Washington, D.C. 20250-9410
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