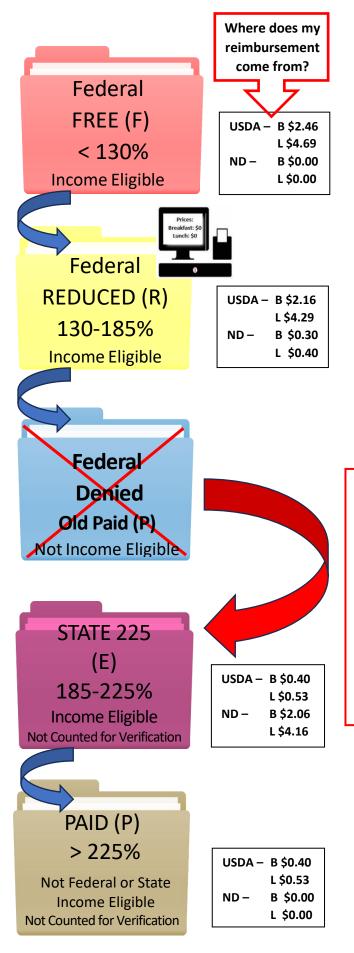
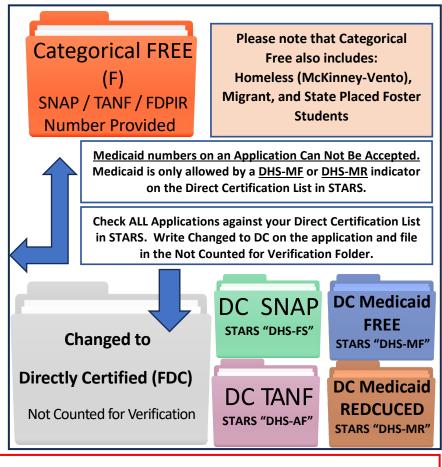
## **Determining 2025-2026 Free & Reduced-Price Meal Applications**





## **NEW STEP**

Federal Denied (over federal income guidelines) applications are matched against the STATE 225 guidelines.

- To the applicant who qualifies for meals under 225% of the Poverty Level, they will receive One Breakfast and Lunch per day at No Cost.
  - Snack is not included
  - To the district, however, we need to qualify and report students and meals by the different statuses due to varying federal and state reimbursement rates for each status.

Medicaid Free (DHS-MF) and Medicaid Reduced (DHS-MR) have been added to the STARS Direct Certification Notification

 Medicaid can only be indicated by the Direct Certification List and does not allow for application indication.

## Transfer your Determination to PowerSchool

Federal Direct Certification (FDC)
DHS-FS, DHS-AF, DHS-MF
Reduced-DC (RDC)

DHS-MR

Federal Free - Free (F)

Federal Reduced - Reduced (R)

State Free 200 - Exempt (E)

Full Pay - Paid (P)

(no status) - Not Participating (ex. Homeschool, PK)

(no status)
Full pay (P)
Reduced (R)
Free (F)
Exempt (E)
Temporary (T)
Free-DC (FDC)
Reduced-DC (RDC)