## Public Release for the Community Eligibility Provision

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Raton Public Schools is participating in a Free Breakfast and Lunch program for the current school year 2023-2024. This alternative is referred to as the Community Eligibility Provision. All students enrolled at the following school(s) may participate in the School Breakfast Program and the National School Lunch Program at no charge. Household applications are not required to receive free meals, but applications may be distributed by the school to collect household income data for other programs that require this information.

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

Raton High School

Raton Intermediate School

Longfellow Elementary School

For additional information please contact: Raton Public Schools, Attention: Myra L. Baird, Business Manager, 1550 Tiger Circle, Raton, NM 87740; 575-445-9111 ext. 2; myra.baird@ratonschools.com.

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