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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Richland 88A,
Lockport Area Special Education Cooperative, Taft 90

FY25 School Breakfast Program Exemption Hearing
Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 1:00 PM
116 N. Chicago Street, Suite 207, Joliet, IL 60432

Regional Superintendent, Dr. Lisa Caparelli-Ruff, will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. for the purpose of taking testimony regarding Richland 88A, Lockport Area Special Education Cooperative, and Taft 90 proposals for exemption of the FY25 School Breakfast Program.

PA 95-155 requires that the board of education of each school district in this State shall implement and operate a School Breakfast Program in the next school year in accordance with federal guidelines in each school building within its district in which at least 40 percent or more of the students are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches.

A school district may request a school or schools from the school breakfast program be exempted from the breakfast program if it is determined that, due to circumstances specific to that school district, the expense reimbursement would not fully cover the costs of implementing and operating a breakfast program.

Regional Superintendent, Dr. Lisa Caparelli-Ruff, will hear testimony from the school district's interested community members. If the Regional Superintendent grants an exemption to the school district, then the school district is relieved from the requirements to implement and operate a School Breakfast Program for the FY25 school year.

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