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Camden City School District Kicks Off Free Summer Meals and Farmers Market Initiative

Camden, NJ - The Camden City School District is excited to announce the kickoff of its Free Summer Meals and Farmers Market initiative. The event will take place on Monday, July 1, 2024, at 12:00 PM at Morgan Village Middle School, located at 990 Morgan Blvd.

Students from the Camden School Nutrition Student Ambassadors and members of the Davis School Honors Society will help launch the event by distributing meals to the community. This initiative aims to address food insecurity and promote the overall well-being of students by providing free meals throughout the summer.

Who: Camden School Nutrition Student Ambassadors, Davis School Honors Society, Anti-hunger advocates, and community members

When: Monday, July 1, 2024
Event time: 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where: Morgan Village Middle School, 990 Morgan Blvd, Camden, NJ 08104

Why: When school lets out for summer, millions of children lose access to school-provided breakfasts and lunches, putting them at risk of going hungry. According to Feeding America, one in ten children in New Jersey face hunger. Nationwide, of the 20 million students eligible for free and reduced-price lunches during the school year, less than 5 million participated in the Summer Food Service Program last year, leaving more than 15 million children unserved.

Hunger doesn't take a break in the summer, and families often face additional financial strain, spending up to an extra \$300 a month to feed their children. Raising awareness about the availability of free Summer Meals is crucial for the health of children and helps families stretch their food budgets.

For more information about the Free Summer Meals and Farmers Market initiative, please www.camdencityschools.org

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