

Title of message: Providing free school meals to families with no recourse to public funds (NRPF)

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### **Providing free school meals to families with no No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF)**

The DfE have permanently extended free school meal eligibility to children in all households with NRPF, subject to maximum income thresholds. For further information please [Click Here](#)

### **Action Required**

Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) would ask all schools to support families within these groups to have access to a Free School Meals. Applicants must complete a dedicated FSM application form([sample](#)) for NRPF.

Schools should assess the application and inform applicant of decision. Completed forms are to be retained by school as well as a copy of proof of residential status.

Note: We are not able to use the eligibility checking system (ECS) to confirm eligibility for these families as they will not be in receipt of UC or legacy benefits. Therefore, please do not submit an online application via the free school meals website.

### **Further Information**

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