

2013-14 Direct Certification Technology Upgrade Incentive Summary

Grant Overview: The U.S. Department of Agriculture awarded Pennsylvania an implementation grant to continue to examine and improve the process of Direct Certification (DC). The Center for Schools and Communities is working with the Pennsylvania Department of Education Division of Food and Nutrition Services to award monetary incentives to school lunch sponsors to address needs related to DC.

This is a second award similar to the Direct Certification Assistance award received by the district earlier this year.

Monetary incentives can be used to purchase computers, software, internet service or other devices that lead to improved direct certification processes. The district anticipates using any award received for software costs that will aid district efforts in direct certification.

Amount of Award: Dependent on the number of applicants.

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due June 3, 2014.

Alternatives if not Awarded: None.

WCSD Resources Required: None.

Administrative Recommendation: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to submit an application to the Center for Schools and Communities for Direct Certification Technology Upgrade Incentive funds related to the Direct Certification process.