## Cashmere School District Child Nutrition Civil Rights Complaint Procedure

Cashmere School District provides the Child Nutrition Program benefits to all eligible individuals without discrimination on the bases of race, color, national origin, sexual origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and / or employment activities.)

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Services at (800) 877-8339.

If you feel in any way that your child has been discriminated against while participating in the Child Nutrition Program, including during the serving of meals, please follow these procedures in voicing your complaint:

- 1. Please fill out the following <u>Civil Rights Complaint Form</u>, which can also be found at the Cashmere School District Administration Office, located at 210 S Division St, Cashmere, WA 98815.
- 2. All written complaints will be accepted by the school district and forwarded to the Chief Nutrition Officer of Child Nutrition Services, Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a complainant should complete a form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at

https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and data of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

- 2. fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- email: program.intake@usda.gov

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