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Dear Parent or Guardian:

PRE-KINDERGARTEN FUNDING ELIGIBILITY ONLY

The 64th Legislative Assembly passed a funding bill to support 4-year-old children that qualify for free or reduced lunch, access to pre-kindergarten programming. The (Public School District/Program) highly encourages you to review the Frequently Asked Questions below to assist in completion of the application. If your child is deemed eligible for free or reduced lunch, your child's early learning program will receive funding from the North Dakota Department of Commerce - \$2,000 for children eligible for free lunch and \$1,000 for children eligible for reduced lunch during the 2016-2017 school year.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact (program personnel).

Frequently Asked Questions:

- **Do I need to fill out an application for each child?** Yes. Use one Pre-kindergarten Reduced Price School Meals Application for each pre-kindergarten student in your household. Return the completed application to (Public School District/Program).
- **My child's application was approved last year-do I need to fill out another one?** Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
- **I receive WIC- will my child(ren) qualify?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for funding. Please fill out an application.
- **May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen?** Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify.
- **Whom should I include as members of my household?** You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends). You must include yourself and all children living with you.
- **What if my income is not always the same?** List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1,000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1,000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes.
- **We are in the military-do we include our housing allowance as income?** If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income.
- **My spouse is deployed to a combat zone-is his/her combat pay counted as income?** No, if the combat pay is received in addition to his/her basic pay because of his/her deployment and it wasn't received before deployment, combat pay is not counted as income.

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$21,775	\$1,815	\$419
2	\$29,471	\$2,456	\$567
3	\$37,167	\$3,098	\$715
4	\$44,863	\$3,739	\$863
5	\$52,559	\$4,380	\$1,011
6	\$60,255	\$5,022	\$1,159
7	\$67,951	\$5,663	\$1,307
8	\$75,647	\$6,304	\$1,455
Each additional person:	\$7,696	\$642	\$148

If you have other questions or need help, please contact the (Public School District/Program).

Sincerely,
(Public School District/Program)

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