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The Free and Reduced Price Application and Direct Certification Information and Procedures 2013-14 is now available on the DESE School Food Services website under News and Updates and Publications. **Please pay special attention to the new Direct Certification process.** **The new process will be implemented beginning in the 2013-14 school year for all public Local Education Agencies (LEAs).** **Non-public schools and Residential Child Care Institutions (RCCIs) will implement the new Direct Certification process beginning in the 2014-15 school year.** The new process will provide LEAs with Direct Certification eligibility utilizing the Missouri Student Information System (MOSIS). Instructions for the new process are provided for public LEAs on page 8. All non-public schools and RCCIs will continue with the current process on pages 9-14 for the 2013-14 school year.

If you have any questions please call 573-751-7664 or 573-751-3526.