

81: The School/Census Poverty Percentage is Insufficient to Classify the Provider as Tier 1 for all Meals Served on Given Date(s)

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A Tier 1 provider must have Tier 1 eligibility dates for Income Eligibility, School Area, or Census Area. These dates must encompass the current meal date. Otherwise, the meal will be reimbursed at a Tier 2 or Mixed Tier rate.

However, Minute Menu HX can be configured to look at multiple factors when determining provider tiering. In this case, if a provider is Tier 1 by School or Census data, the system also examines the poverty percentage of the School or Census area. If that percentage is less than 50%, the provider is still processed at a Tier 2 or Mixed Tier rate, even if their dates do encompass the existing meal date. Some sponsors like to apply this extra level of checking.

If you see this error, you can check the poverty percentage for either the School or Census area in the Provider Information Tiering tab.
