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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents,  
Public School Academy Administrators, Selected Nonpublic School Administrators,  
and Residential Child Care Institutions

FROM: Carol Wolenberg, Deputy Superintendent *Carol*

SUBJECT: Eligible Applicants for the 2013-2014 Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grant

On May 2, 2013, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) announced that the application for the 2013-2014 Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Grant was available. The original application deadline of Thursday, May 23, 2013, is now extended to Friday, June 21, 2013.

It has come to our attention that many districts are closing/combining and/or reconfiguring to K-8 buildings for the upcoming school year. This will impact the eligibility of sites to participate in the FFVP. To allow as many eligible elementary schools as possible to apply for the FFVP grant, MDE is updating the 2014 FFVP grant so that districts can add eligible K-8 sites. This change will be available on Monday, June 3, 2013. Districts should complete the FFVP application for all their K-6 sites on their application and secure signatures on the required Certification of Support form(s).

Eligible applicants are elementary schools (K-8) currently participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) that have 50 percent or more of its students eligible for free and reduced price meals. For additional information, view the Important Information about the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Application, located on the View/Edit page of the FFVP application.

**Application Information**

All applicants must submit an application using the Michigan Electronic Grants System Plus (MEGS+). Complete the application online using MEGS+ at <https://mdoe.state.mi.us/megsplus>. Only a MEGS+ Level 5 or Child Nutrition Application Program (CNAP) Level 3 Authorized Official may initiate the 2013-2014 FFVP grant application in MEGS+. Districts unsure who their MEGS+ Level 5 or CNAP Level 3 Authorized Official is, should ask their district office or call 517-373-1806.

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All grant information will be available at [www.michigan.gov/schoolnutrition](http://www.michigan.gov/schoolnutrition) under *Program Information, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program*.

Questions regarding the content of this memo may be directed to the Office of School Support Services, School Nutrition Programs unit, by email to [MDE-schoolnutrition@michigan.gov](mailto:MDE-schoolnutrition@michigan.gov) or phone 517-373-3347.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance