From: MDHHS-WICVendor

Subject: IMPORTANT: Summer EBT for Children Suspended for Summer 2021

Date: Tuesday, May 04, 2021 8:49:00 AM

Dear WIC Vendor,

Please note, the Summer EBT for Children (SEBTC) Program for Summer 2021 has been suspended.

On March 11, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 was signed into law, extending Pandemic-EBT (P-EBT) through Summer 2021 for all P-EBT-eligible children. As both P-EBT and SEBTC are administered by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Michigan has decided to suspend the implementation of SEBTC this year to reduce redundancy and likely confusion among participants.

Michigan students eligible for free and reduced-price school meals will receive a P-EBT card with benefits; and the P-EBT teams at the Michigan Departments of Health and Human Service (MDHHS) and Education (MDE) will be administering this program extension in place of the SEBTC Program and Program staff.

To learn more about the Summer P-EBT rollout, check out the latest announcement news from the Biden administration: **Biden administration to launch largest summer food program in U.S. history.** If you have questions about this transition, you may contact Sarah Greer, SEBTC Project Coordinator at <u>GreerS1@michigan.gov</u> until May 28; or Bagya Kodur at <u>Kodurb@Michigan.gov</u> after May 28th.

Please note that the SEBTC Program is expected to pick up again for Summer 2022. If you have questions about the P-EBT Program, please contact the program at MDHHS-PEBT@michigan.gov or 833-905-0028.

Thank you for your partnership in helping Michigan students secure healthy food throughout the year.

Sincerely,

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