



Office of Health and Nutrition Services

Town Hall – May 6, 2020





Please Hold Off on Questions!

- Feel free to use the chat box for questions, but please wait until we have covered that topic to see if your question is answered.
- Thanks!



Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP)

- Over 180 schools and districts have requested to be involved in this program.
- MDARD has provided the list of schools to distributors.
- USDA is awarding contracts by the end of this week and has a goal of food deliveries starting the following week.



Nationwide Waiver for Administrative Review Requirements for CACFP

- Waives State Agency CACFP monitoring requirements due to safety concerns
- Waives the State Agency requirement to annually review at least 33.3 percent of all CACFP institutions
- MDE will conduct desk audits through September 20, 2020
- Waiver is effective immediately and will remain in effect until September 30, 2020



Child Care Relief Fund Grant Opportunity

\$100 million (federal) to support child-care providers during COVID-19 to cover the unexpected expenses due to the crisis

- **Childcare can be closed and apply for these funds**
- Non-competitive
- Goal: help providers stay in business and make childcare more affordable for Michigan families
- Aims to address some of the most common barriers and concerns raised by providers during the pandemic
- Additional funding available in May and June
- Apply at www.michigan.gov/childcare



Local Wellness Policy

Triennial Assessment Nationwide Waiver

- Original due date : June 30, 2020
- New due date : June 30, 2021
- Sponsors prepared to complete the assessment by June 30, 2020 should do so.
- **IMPORTANT:** To accept the new deadline, complete and submit the [waiver survey](#).
 - Survey link was sent out in the School Nutrition News and is on the School Nutrition Programs website (top of the page).



Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

- The current 2019-2020 FFVP is on hold
- When the Stay at Home order is lifted, serving of FFVP snacks may resume until the end of the regularly scheduled school year if the following conditions are met.
 - Snacks are provided at elementary schools **currently approved** to operate the FFVP program and is participating in the Unanticipated School Closure (USC) Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).
 - Eligible elementary school site has FY 2019-2020 grant funds available to cover the cost
 - Children are present when meals are picked up.
 - FFVP snacks can only be served through the end of the regularly scheduled school year.
 - Questions? Contact Linda Stull at: StullL@michigan.gov.



Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (cont.)

- I am completing the 2021 FFVP application and it is difficult to get the required signatures for the Certification of Support document. What are my options so I can complete and submit my application?
 - There are several options during the current COVID -19 situation. MDE is allowing flexibility during this time because we want everyone to stay safe and follow distancing protocol. Here are some suggestions:
 - USDA says we can accept electronic signatures. Is your principal/superintendent/FFVP manager set up with an electronic signature you could use?
 - If staff members have access to a scanner, you could electronically send them the certification document, they could sign, scan and return to you with their actual signature.
 - Another option is to complete all the required information by typing or writing in the person's Name and Email Address where indicated. On the Handwritten Signature line, type the person's name in cursive script font.



P-EBT Information

- School Officials with questions about P-EBT should contact MDE at mde-schoolnutrition@michigan.gov.
 - P-EBT webpage [P-EBT Food Assistance Benefits for School Children](#) is set up to help school administrators find answers to their questions.
- Parents with questions about P-EBT should contact MDHHS at 1-833-905-0028.
 - P-EBT webpage [P-EBT Food Assistance Benefits for Families](#) is set up to help the general public to find information on P-EBT.



P-EBT and Non-Public School Students

- A web-based solution for data collection has been developed. It will collect data on students that are eligible based on Free and Reduced-Price Meal Applications on file at the school.
- Addresses must be submitted for all students.
- Training for Non-Public School sponsors' is being developed and will be available asap.
- MSDS collection dates are May 12 and May 26.



P-EBT and Early Childhood Program Students

- It will be common for most Early Childhood Program students to see a delay in P-EBT benefit and/card delivery.
- CEPI has decided the solution for Early Childhood Programs is to submit eligible students now in the End of Year Collection.
 - Collection is open through August, but districts can enter and certify prior to deadline
 - Capability to decertify and recertify through deadline
 - Addresses must be submitted for all students.
- MSDS collection dates are May 12 and May 26
- Watch for further communication



Unanticipated School Closure SFSP Intake Form

Continue to update your form:

- If you add a site
 - Add full address with zip code
- Change times of meal service
 - Add beginning and ending times; example: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
 - List days of service in “Additional Information” field
- Change ending date of meal service
 - Sponsors **MUST** go in and change ending dates
- Be sure to **submit** form; do not click on “save” and close out



Traditional Summer Food Service Program

- **Returning SFSP Sponsors**
 - Submit the 2020 SFSP Application in MEGS+ by **May 20**
- **New SFSP School Sponsors**
 - Review potential sites for [eligibility](#)
 - Email mde-sfsp@Michigan.gov
 - Indicate desire to participate and request access to the MEGS+ application
 - Submit the 2020 SFSP Application in MEGS+ by **May 20**
 - Complete SFSP training

*if you need to update your start date in MEGS+, wait until the application is approved and make the amendment or make changes when the application is returned for modifications.



SFSP Training

- New sponsors and new staff are required to be trained by MDE
- Returning sponsors are required to attend MDE training at least once every 3 years
- SFSP Training will be online and available beginning May 8
- SFSP team will hold a webinar in May for sponsors that have additional questions



Additional Traditional SFSP Waivers

- MDE is submitting waivers for:
 - Non-congregate feeding for SFSP
 - Parent pick-up of meals without a child/children
- As soon as we have notification regarding waivers, that information will be sent to all sponsors



Do I need to Submit an April School Meals Claim?

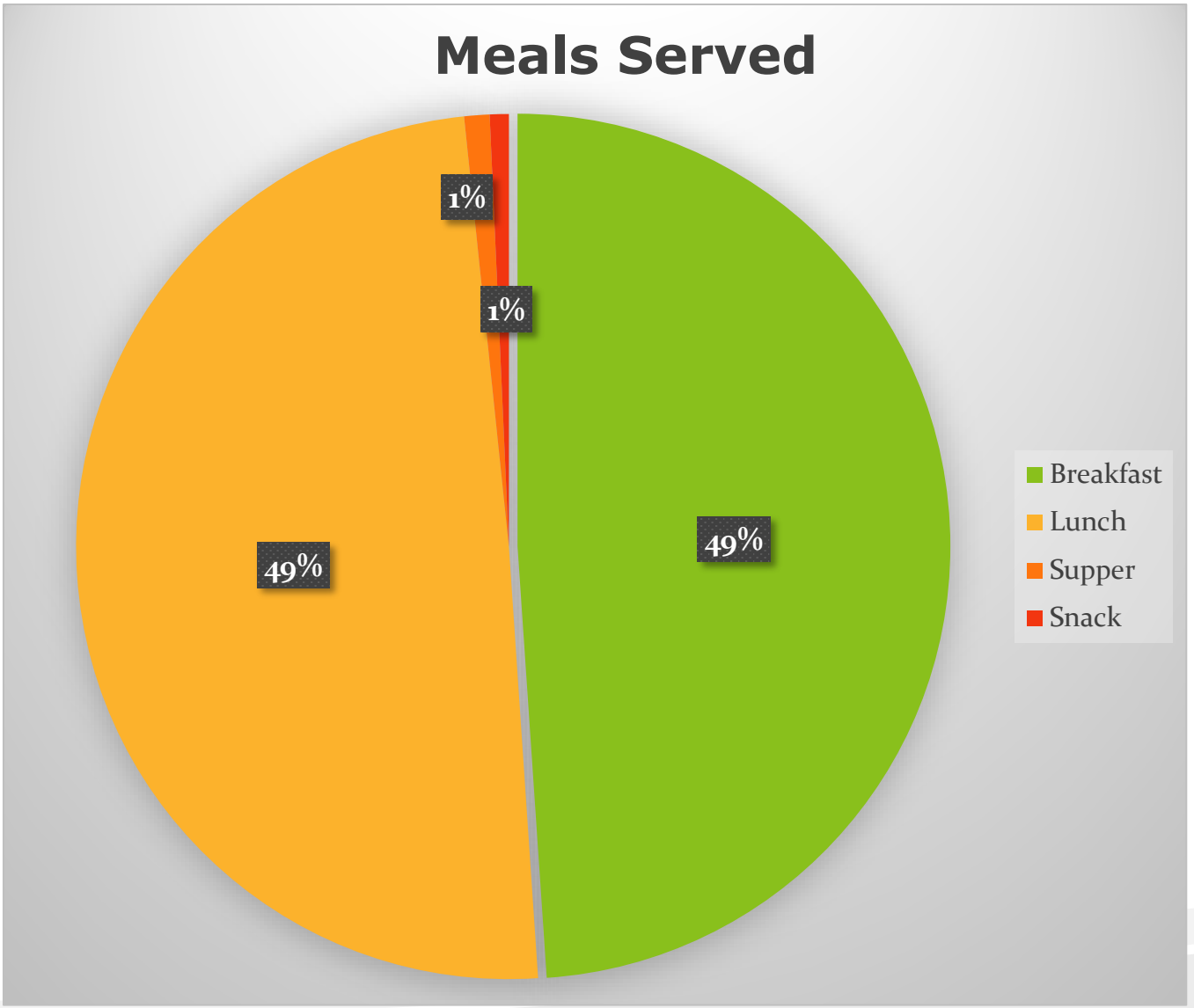
- Most districts are serving meals only under Unanticipated School Closure SFSP program, and do not need to submit a zero claim for April in the NSLP/SBP.
 - If you prefer, you may submit a zero claim.
- We will use May NSLP/SBP claims to collect updated eligibility data, so we will require the May claim be submitted for data collection purposes. More details to come.



Claims to Date

- 692 Registered sponsors
 - 560 March claims submitted
 - 305 April claims submitted

- Meals:
 - Breakfast 9,832,674
 - Lunch 9,932,191
 - Supper 189,874
 - Snack 142,525
 - 20,097,264





What Questions Do You Have?

- Please enter your questions in the chat box.