



DEBT MANAGEMENT TOOLKIT

EMAIL AND TEXT LOW BALANCE REMINDER INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Copy and paste the content into your email sending system or communication system.
- 2. Send as a standalone or group email. Bcc people when emailing groups to maintain privacy.
- 3. Use the same template for any follow up reminders.

Michigan Department of Education Office of Health and Nutrition Services School Nutrition Programs

EMAIL:

Subject Line: Low Balance Reminder

Preheader (optional): Your school meal balance is low – act now.

Low School Meal Balance Notification

Dear Parent or Guardian,

As of **[INSERT DATE]**, your student's account is below \$____. Please act before your account hits zero.

Here's what you can do to prevent your account from going negative:

1. Log in at [INSERT LINK] to add more funds to your account.

OR

2. Provide your student with a cold lunch to take to school.

Please note that we will never deny any student a meal, but parents and guardians will be responsible for account overdrafts. If you have any questions regarding your account or need assistance with school meal options, please contact [INSERT CONTACT INFORMATION].

Visit Michigan School Meals to learn more about school meal options, or text EAT to MIGHTY (644489) to subscribe to email and SMS updates.

To apply for other food assistance and other benefit programs, please visit MI Bridges.

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TEXT:

Your student's school meal account is below **[INSERT \$ THRESHOLD].**Go to **[INSERT LINK]** to add funds to your account or make alternate plans for your student.