Food Service and Mental Health Funding Update

Office of Health and Nutrition Services June 8, 2023



Accounting/Coding for School Year 2022-2023

ALN#	Grant Name	Grant Code
10.555	National School Lunch Program	851X
10.553	School Breakfast Program	850X
10.555	Supply Chain Assistance	851X
10.649	PEBT Local Cost Grant	664
10.185	Local Food for Schools	851X
State Aid 31j	10 Cents a Meal for Michigan's Kids and Farms	373X
10.579	School Breakfast Expansion	863X

Coding information is located on our website under Fiscal Reporting at: <u>www.michigan.gov/mde-fast</u>



Keep Kids Fed Act: School Year 2022-2023

The temporary reimbursement increase for all categories (free/reduced/paid) ends on June 30, 2023

- 40 cents per NSLP lunch
- 15 cents per SBP breakfast



Update on Reviews for SY 2022-2023

Administrative Reviews (AR), Resource Management Reviews (RM), and Procurement Reviews

- Administrative Review Findings
 - Meal Counting and Claiming and Claim Consolidation
 - Meal Pattern and Offer versus Serve Errors
- Resource Management Findings
 - Excess Fund Balances
- Procurement Review Findings
 - Procurement Policies and Procedures outdated or missing information
 - Code of Conduct unavailable or missing information

Summer Food Service Program Administrative Review list will be finalized in early to mid-June



Excess Fund balances (EFB)

EFB must be:

- 1. Spent Down by June 30, 2023, or
- Request a Carryover Extension for each item on your Spend Down Plan of Action that will not be received or paid for by June 30
 - Carryover Extension Requests must be submitted by June 15
 - Questions? Contact us at <u>MDE-Fiscal@michigan.gov</u>
 - Check out the EFB Resources on our <u>FAST website</u>

NOTE: MDE requests a management comment in the management letter if an auditor has determined net cash resources exceed the three months' average expenditures at year end



10 Cents a Meal for Michigan's Kids and Farms

- We have 240 grantees for the 2022-2023 program year!
- 224 grantees participate in the NSLP
- 120 grantees participate in the CACFP
- 150 grantees participate in the SFSP
- Grantees serve more than 590,000 children in 65 of Michigan's 83 counties

- The deadline for grantees to complete the first required survey was on Monday, May 22.
- Payments will not be processed until we have received your survey response.





How Will Payments Work?

- Reimbursement via State Aid Management System (SAMS), line is 31j
- ŠY23 Řévenue
 - September June invoice data submitted by July 14, 2023
 - Paid in August State Aid payment
- SY24 Revenue
 - July August invoice data submitted by September 15, 2023
- Paid in October State Aid payment
 Major Class 312, Suffix 0110, Grant Code for expenditures is 373





Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

- School Year 2022-2023 grant funds must be spent by September 30, 2023
- We expect funds to be drawn down on a monthly basis
- School Year 2023-2024 application is coming soon
- Contact: <u>mde-ffvp@michigan.gov</u>



School Breakfast Expansion (SBE) Grant

- 98 LEAs received the 2023 SBE Grant
- Funds must be spent by June 30, 2023
 - No carry over of funds
- Funds should be drawn down by August 28, 2023
 - Program Number: 221995
 - Project Number: 2023
 - For assistance on how to access grant funds, refer to the <u>NexSys</u> <u>Accounting Requesting Payment Training Guide</u>
 - Questions: <u>mde-nexsys-accounting@michigan.gov</u>
- FER needs to be completed by August 28, 2023
- SBE Grant evaluation must be completed by September 30, 2023
- Questions about the SBE Grant contact Sara Harmon <u>harmons7@michigan.gov</u>



Local Food For Schools

- Approved invoices totaling \$1.9M
- For revenue to be recognized for SY22-23, Invoice data must be submitted by June 10, 2023
 - Paid in July
- Funds will be re-allocated for districts who have not indicated their intent to participate:
 - Complete online training by June 10, 2023
 - OR
 - Submit at least month of invoice data by June 10, 2023

Grant Opportunities Comparison

	Supply Chain Assistance Funds	Local Foods for Schools	10 Cents a Meal
Eligible Foods	Unprocessed or minimally processed foods	Unprocessed or minimally processed foods	Fruits, vegetables, and dry beans only
Payment	Upfront payment to sponsors (complete)	Submit invoice data to MDE for reimbursement	Submit invoices to MDE – matching grant
Programs Eligible	Only NSLP, SBP, After School Snack	NSLP, SBP, After School Snack, SSO	NSLP, SBP, After School Snack, CACFP
Local Required?	No, but encouraged	Yes, Michigan grown	Yes, Michigan grown
Application	Accept funds in GEMS/MARS	No application – funds fair shared to NSLP SFA's	Yes
Items purchased wan be submitted for	ith SCA funds cannot be subn 10 Cents a Meal.	nitted for LFS purchases but	

Local Meal Charging Policy

USDA Memo SP 46-2016s Meal Charging

- Written Policy required as of July 1, 2017
- Clearly communicated in writing
- Include Bad Debt Policy
- This policy focuses on negative balances for current/active students
- Must be provided in AR/RM Review

Policy Goal

- Provide Nutrition to Learn, Eliminate Lunch Shaming, and Maintain Financial Integrity
- USDA Memo SP 23-2017
 - Does offering alternate meals make sense? See Q&A Guidance on alternative meal requirements

Requires a collaborative effort



Meal Charging Training

Meal Charging Articulate training is available:

<u>https://mdoe.state.mi.us/mdedocuments/NutritionTrainingFiles-</u> 2022/FASTMealChargePolicy/index.html#/#/



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Bad Debt Policy

*Bad debt only applies to negative balances for inactive students (Admin Memo #4 SY17-18)

June 30 - December 31: Allowable Collection Period

• Must be made whole in the NFSA with non-federal funds and written off the Point of Sale (POS) system by December 31 every year.

The funds may come from:

 District general fund, local funding, PTO, donations, or any other non-federal source outside of the food service fund (NFSA)

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Local control if the business office wants to track and try to collect after

Maintain documentation of funds used for RM Reviews •Keep records of negative balances throughout a student's career

School Nutrition Program Compliance Reviews Cycle #3



- Announcement of the School Year 2023-2024 review schedule to be released in summer 2023
- Multiple 2-day in-person trainings around the state for those sponsors scheduled to have a review

SY 2023-2024 Paid Lunch Equity (PLE) Guidance

- Reminder SFAs with a positive or zero fund balance as of June 30, 2022, are exempt
- Do **<u>not</u>** have to complete the PLE Tool
- Do **<u>not</u>** have to raise paid student meal prices
- SFAs with a negative fund balance as of June 30, 2022, <u>must</u>
 - Complete the PLE Tool
 - Follow the minimum pricing requirements
- Guidance, PLE Tool, and instructions are posted on our website:
- <u>Fiscal Resource Management</u>

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Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

- Spring data is available on the <u>CEP Resources page</u>.
- How do I apply for CEP?
 - Election is made in the CNP: Coordinated Application, SNP Sponsor Details question #3
 - CEP election must be made by June 30, 2023
 - School Nutrition sites will display in the CEP Site Selection page
- Questions email Natalee Mickelson at <u>MickelsonN@michigan.gov</u>



Coordinated Application in NexSys

If you participate in the:

- School Nutrition Programs (SNP)
- Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
- Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)
- Summer Camp Special Milk (SCSM)

The 2024 Coordinated Application MUST be submitted on or before the following dates to receive a claim for meals.

Application Due Date:
Thursday, May 18, 2023
Thursday, June 29, 2023
Thursday, July 27, 2023
Thursday, August 31, 2023
September 28, 2023
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Breaking Down Silos

• Behavioral health systems have traditionally been siloed, making it extremely difficult to provide consistent high-level behavioral health care for children in Michigan.

• Through various grants, partnerships, and State School Aid Act funds, we are creating a collaborative solution that connects students to behavioral health services across multiple settings.



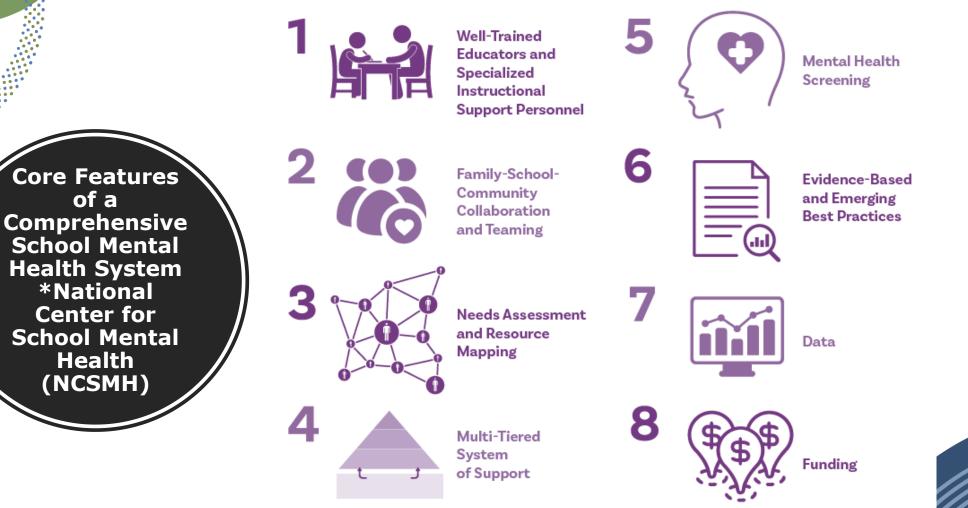


State School Aid Act Funding (Public Act 94 of 1979)

- We began with \$30 million, or roughly \$20 per student, when funding was added in 2018-2019.
 - At the same time, Michigan amended our Medicaid State Plan to expand coverage to include reimbursement for all Medicaid-eligible students receiving behavioral health and support services.
 - This expansion is called Caring4Students (C4S).
 - Since then, we have continued to see significant investments annually.
 - The COVID pandemic, political and social unrest across the country, and violent tragedies in Oxford and East Lansing have only exacerbated the mental health needs of our students.









School Mental Health Funding

- Section 31n = \$77,600,000 *ONGOING*
 - Funding to ISDs and Child and Adolescent Health Centers to hire or contract behavioral health providers that are credentialed to bill Medicaid
- Section 31o = \$240,000,000 *3-YEAR WORK APPROPRIATION*
 - Funding to ISDs and public districts for hiring behavioral health providers
- Section 31p = \$55,400,000 *2 YEARS OF FUNDING*
 - Funding to ISDs to implement TRAILS programs that strengthen the well-being of all students, while helping students with depression, anxiety, and other common mental health difficulties
- Section 31aa = TBD
 - Activities to Improve/Maintain Student or Staff Mental Health



Workforce Development Projects to Increase Number of Behavioral Health Providers

MiCOACH Project: Increase the number of Community Health Workers (CHWs) and Health Support Workers (HSWs) by training 240 high school students in 10 school districts identified as high-needs over 3 years

MiELSiS Project: Pay stipends to 165 college students completing internships in schools identified as highneeds in the area of school counseling, school psychology, or school social work over 5 years

Senate Bill 1012 (SMART Bill): A bill to establish a Student Mental Health Apprenticeship Retention and Training (SMART) internship program by creating paid and educationally meaningful internships in school settings

MiKidsNow Loan Repayment Program : Debt repayment program focused on incentivizing behavioral health care providers to practice in underserved areas in Michigan

MiKidsNow Paid Internship Program: Program to offer stipends to behavioral health care providers completing internships in underserved areas in Michigan



What Questions Do You Have?

- Contact info:
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