

Education Benefits Form - Letter to Households

Cole Academy

1915 W Mt Hope Ave
Lansing, MI 48910

Cole Academy East

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East Lansing, MI 48823

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that the *Cole Academy District* will be participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) as part of the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for the School Year 2025-2026.

The GREAT NEWS is that ALL students enrolled at our school can receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at NO CHARGE to your household each day. In order for the meal to be free, the student must take at least 3 of the 5 healthy components. If a student brings a cold lunch and only wants milk, there will be a .50 cent charge for the milk.

In place of the Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application we still need your household to **fill out and sign the Education Benefits Form**. This form is *critical* in determining the amount of money that our school receives from a variety of State and Federal supplemental programs like Title I A, At-risk (31a), Title II A, E-Rate, etc.

These supplemental programs have the potential to offer supports and services for our students including, but not limited to:

- Instructional supports (staff, supplies & materials, etc.)
- Non-instructional services (counseling, social work, health services, etc.)
- Professional Learning for staff
- Parent and Community engagement supplies and activities
- Technology

We are asking that you please complete and submit it as soon as possible to ensure that additional funding for our school is available to meet the needs of our students. All information on the report submitted is confidential. Without your assistance in completing and returning the attached report, our school cannot maximize the use of available State and Federal funds.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at 517-372-0038 or 517-580-3470.

Sincerely,

Michelle Helmic
Food Service Director

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