EDUCATION BENEFITS FORM - LETTER TO HOUSEHOLDS

BENZIE CENTRAL schools

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that all <u>Benzie Central Schools</u> will be receiving FREE breakfast and lunch under the Michigan School Meals Program for the School Year 2023-2024.

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 place of the Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application, we still need your household to **fill out and sign the Education Benefits Form**. This report is <u>critical</u> 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 the form 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 submitting the attached report, our school cannot maximize the use of available State and Federal funds. The report form is also available online at https://benzie.familyportal.cloud for those who wish to submit electronically.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at 231-882-4497 and ask for Lisa Purchase, Food Service Director.

Sincerely,

Amiee Erfourth Superintendent

Benzie Central Schools

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