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INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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FROM : DIRECTOR: NSNP

SUBJECT : NATIONAL SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMME: BREAKFAST

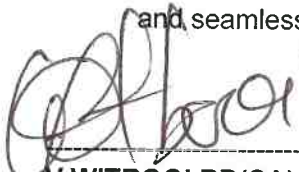
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The subject bears reference

1. The National School Nutrition Programme has expanded the Departmental programme of food and nutrition security by increasing the uptake of breakfast by all quintile 1 -3 public ordinary schools in the primary phase.
2. This also applies to all secondary schools that form part of the combined school structure in Districts.
3. The breakfast funding preparatory work has included the procurement resources for the cups and spoons used by learners in the 21/22 and 22/23 financial years in all primary schools.
4. All the secondary schools included in the programme are instructed to utilize their existing funding to procure any additional cups and spoons for the purpose of the introduction of breakfast.
5. All schools enrolled in the programme must utilize their approved menus which determine alternatives for breakfast in the form of fortified maize and sorghum.
6. Breakfast must be served in all the primary schools (3170) and all combined schools (561) on all school days.
7. The Department has been advised to terminate the practice of providing an additional stipend of R300.00 for the preparation of breakfast in the 2023/2024. All schools must communicate this to their Volunteer Food Handlers.
8. The Breakfast cost per learner is R 0. 59 for one hundred and ninety-seven (197) days in the financial year. The unit quantity per learner is thirty grams (30) per learner per day.



9. The Province is in process of seeking a broader and affordable range of blended cereals and benchmarking is underway with the support of the Department of Basic Education to seek a greater variety of flavours and grain types.
10. In schools where a partnership has been established through any corporate relating to breakfast meals and payments for Volunteer Food Handlers, the breakfast programme will continue being implemented and the funding will be used to adapt the quality and variety of the meal by introducing a fruit as well as the quantity of the meal by increasing portion size. It is very important to nurture public/ private partnerships as government grows in its reach and sustainability. We appreciate these efforts and welcome more partnerships to enhance and grow food and nutrition security in our vulnerable communities.
11. Schools must fulfil all administrative record keeping requirements for the breakfast programme and implement all National School Nutrition Programme practices related to safety and hygiene.
12. For any additional information related to schools the National school nutrition District Based Monitors as well as the Provincial Office may be contacted to ensure efficient and seamless services to positively impact teaching and learning in schools.



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