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INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

**TO : CLUSTER CHIEF DIRECTORS
DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

CC : CMC HEADS

FROM : DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL: CD & M

DATE : 11 MARCH 2024

SUBJECT : CONTINUATION OF FEEDING, APRIL 2024

The subject bears reference.

1. This memorandum seeks to instruct Districts that feeding must not be interrupted during the transition period between **03 April 2024** and **30 April 2024**.
2. The National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP) facilitates the transfer of funds to schools in four tranches throughout the financial year (April, July, October, and January of the following year). These dates are predetermined by the Division of Revenue Bill wherein the transfers from the Department of Basic Education (DBE) are gazetted. The Eastern Cape Department of Education is reliant on the receipt of funds from the transferring officer (DBE) and Provincial Treasury to effect its own transfers and therefore these dates are cascaded to accommodate administrative processes.
3. To ensure that each beneficiary is funded all schools must ensure that their learner enrollment is updated on SASAMS by no later than, **13 March 2024**. There is **no exclusion** for learners without a birth certificate or identity document, but these learners must be verified by the responsible District Officials.
4. Schools should use their NSNP surplus funding which has accumulated to ensure that there is no disruption of feeding learners both their breakfast meals as well as their main meal. Any interruption of feeding must immediately be reported to the District Directors and escalated to the Provincial NSNP Directorate, with a supporting corrective plan.
5. District CMC Heads must instruct their Education Officers to visit all schools and ensure plans are in place to prevent non-feeding in schools. Schools at risk of non-feeding must be supported by the District National School Nutrition Monitor and Chief Education Specialist for Education Social Support Services to avoid non-feeding.

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6. The Department prioritizes the wellbeing of learners and expects that Districts will implement the necessary measures to ensure that feeding is not interrupted.

Yours Sincerely,



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DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL: CURRICULUM DELIVERY AND MANAGEMENT

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