

Kalamazoo Public Schools

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Please take a moment to complete the form and return it to your student's school. The Education Benefits Form collects information needed to ensure the school receives state and federal funding for education programs. **Without this information, Kalamazoo Public Schools could lose important funding for education programs that our students need.** These supplemental grants and programs have the potential to offer supports and services for our students including, but not limited to:

- Instructional staff (ex. Reading Interventionists, Math Tutors, Academic & Behavior Aids)
- Teaching supplies and materials
- Counselors and Social Workers
- School Nurses
- Professional Learning for staff
- Parent and Community engagement supplies and activities
- Technology

Why is Kalamazoo Public Schools requesting financial information? The Education Benefits Form determines eligibility of a student or household. The total count of eligible students is used to determine the funding amounts that will be made available to a school. The more forms returned the better.

What do I need to do? Please complete the attached form at the link below or on the main page

How will this information be protected? In keeping with current practices, the website is secure and any paper forms are locked.

What else might my student or household be eligible for? Based on the information you provide on your Education Benefits Form, your child may qualify for other programs such as: edit list below based on your school/district programs

- Programs that provide food support
- Programs that provide field trip support
- Programs that provide school supplies or assist with school fees
- Programs that provide holiday support
- Potential household support for cable and internet

You must complete the **Sharing Information with Other Programs form**, in the online application at kalamazoo.familyportal.cloud then apply for benefits, agree and follow the instructions.

If you have any questions, please contact Matt Kusmack at kusmackml@kalamazoopublicschools.net

Thank you!