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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As Food Service Director, I would like to welcome your child/children to the 2021-2022 school year at Mississinawa Valley Schools. **We want to inform parents that ALL students will receive free breakfast and lunch this school year due to an extension of the USDA program.** Students in 5th – 12th grades may still choose to purchase additional food items. Please see the following for prices of extra items:

Milk - \$.50	Healthy Snacks/Reduced Fat Chips - \$.60 (grades 7-12)
Main Entrée - \$1.50	Powerade - \$1.50 (grades 7-12)
Fruit or Vegetable - \$.50	Extra Tray - \$2.20 (5 th -8 th grades) / \$2.35 (9 th -12 th grades)
Bottled Water - \$1.00	

We will not be allowing lunchroom charges for snacks/drinks this year since all students are receiving free meals.

You may add money into your child's account by using payschoolscentral.com. If you are new to using the site, please register as a new user (you will need the lunch account # which is also the same as their student id). It is a free service, easy to use and allows you to check your child's balance throughout the year and add money anytime you wish. Lunch money may be sent to school in an envelope with your child's name on it to ensure it goes to the right account.

Free and reduced lunch forms are also now available. Only families wishing to see if they newly qualify for P-EBT benefits should fill out the form. If you have already been receiving P-EBT benefits over the summer, you will NOT need to fill out a new form. The P-EBT program (for temporary emergency nutrition benefits) is NOT a school program but a federal program which schools supply information to. Please be aware that the free and reduced lunch form will still have information as if it were a normal year without free meals so refer to this letter for this school year. If you choose to fill out a new form, please complete the page titled "**2021-2022 Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application**" and return to school.

Breakfast is served daily between 7:30 – 8:00 am. All your child needs to do is come to the cafeteria to get a breakfast if they would like one. Please encourage your child to eat a tasty breakfast at school and help them get a good start to a day of learning! We have made big improvements to our menu items with more students eating school meals!

We look forward to seeing the students back at school on Wednesday, September 1st! Have a great school year!
Thanks,

Amanda Grow
Food Service Director