Public Schools / One Sylvester Avenue / P.O. Box 130 / Berrien Springs, Michigan 49103 Phone (269) 471-2891 Fax (269) 471-2590 Website www.homeoftheshamrocks.org

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, Berrien Springs Public Schools could lose important funding for education programs that our students need.

Why is Berrien Springs 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 and return it to Berrien Springs Public Schools

How will this information be protected? In keeping with current practices, This document is maintained in the Administration office and is in a locked file cabinet. The only staff members who have access to this information are the Principals, Administrator, Student Enrollment Specialist and the Nutrition Coordinator.

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:

Assistance with college entrance exams

Potential household support for cable and internet

If you want to apply for these additional programs you must complete the **Sharing Information** with Other Programs form, please contact the district office for a copy of this form, to grant permission for your eligibility information to be shared.

If you have any questions, please contact Pam Evans, Food Service Director at 269-471-8860.

Sincerely,

Dr. Thomas Bruce, Superintendent