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Update

### **Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Free School Meal Voucher Scheme**

The University of Wolverhampton Multi Academy Trust is committed to ensuring a free school meal provision is provided to all its eligible students, we have ensured this through the early distribution of cash payments (23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020) and supermarket vouchers through Wonde in anticipation of future guidance.

The Government subsequently launched a National Free School Meal Voucher Scheme on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 and issued guidance on the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2020, directing the sector to work with Edenred its chosen provider.

Our Academies are working hard to ensure all eligible students have access to Free School Meal vouchers covering the Easter period and future term time periods as soon as possible. Edenred are experiencing high levels of demand which is causing delays in issuing vouchers.

Parents will receive vouchers by email from Edenred. Where we do not hold a valid email address the Academy will make contact with you.

We appreciate your patience during this time.