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meals**



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# We are helping kids!

- 100% of schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs are serving free meals to their students
- Over 660 sponsors
- Over 5,000 schools
- Over 1.3 million students have access to meals
- Preliminary data for August 2023 vs August 2022
  - 120,000 more students eating lunch daily
  - 57,000 more students eating breakfast daily



# What is Eligible through Michigan School Meals?

- Meals served in public school districts, public school academies and intermediate school districts
- Meals served to students in:
  - Kindergarten to Grade 12
  - Pre-Kindergarten Great Start Readiness Program (GRSP) or tuition-based 4-year-old preschool classrooms run by districts
  - Special education programs up to age 26



# What is Not Eligible through Michigan School Meals?

- Meals served in nonpublic schools
- Meals served in GSRP or other preschool programs that are part of a Community Based Organization (CBO)
- Meals served to teachers and staff
- Second meals or a la carte items



# What are the Michigan School Meals Program Requirements for Participation?

Program requirements include but are not limited to:

- Must participate in both National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program
- Must adopt Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) to maximize federal reimbursement
- Must collect relevant family income information via Education Benefit Forms
- Must write off all outstanding student meal negative balances
- *Program participation is optional for sponsors.*



# What are the Michigan School Meals Program Recommendations for Participation?

- Participating sponsors are encouraged to offer meals that meet students' dietary restrictions, including:
  - The provision of gluten-free meals, vegetarian meals, and vegan meals
  - Upon request, kosher meals and halal meals
  - Meals meeting any allergy restrictions as confirmed by a doctor's note





Congregate and Family-Style meal service



Breakfast and Lunch only



School day meal service only



National School Lunch, School Breakfast and Preschool Program meal patterns



All claimed meals must be reimbursable – students must still be charged for a la carte and second meals.

## What Type of Meal Service is Allowable in Michigan School Meals?

# Jenison and Hudsonville Food Service

- Jenison Schools, Hudsonville Schools, and Hudsonville Christian Elementary
- Total enrollment: 13,373
- Total number of schools: 24
- Percent of students certified eligible for Free/Reduced-Price meals: 26%





# September 2022 vs September 2023

	Breakfast				Lunch			
	September 2022	September 2023	Change from prior year	% change	September 2022	September 2023	Change from prior year	% change
<b>Jenison</b>	3485	8235	4750	136.3%	38796	55088	16292	42.0%
<b>Hudsonville</b>	2446	9103	6657	272.2%	50551	75225	24674	48.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	5931	17338	11407	192.3%	89347	130313	40966	45.9%



Pop Up Produce



**Pop-Up Produce!**  
Partake in our Brussel Sprouts from Detweilers Produce (Ingham County) on Monday October 9th at our secondary schools.



**POP-UP PRODUCE!**  
Today we are serving GOOSEBERRIES as our pop-up produce at Park Elementary. Please partake!



**POP-UP PRODUCE!**  
PLEASE PARTAKE IN PAW PAWS AT BALDWIN MIDDLE SCHOOL TODAY.



**POP-UP PRODUCE!**  
Today we are serving RATATOUILLE! This dish uses locally-grown eggplant, zucchini and squash!



**POP-UP PRODUCE!**  
Today we are serving Kiwi Berries as our pop-up produce at JIA and Hudson.

# 10 Cents a Meal for Michigan's Kids and Farms



- Michigan School Aid funded local purchasing incentive program
- All sponsors of Child Nutrition programs
- 10 cents times every meal served
- Michigan-grown, minimally processed fruits, vegetables, dry beans
- Works together with Michigan School Meals to improve quality of meals

# Questions

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