

March 9, 2026

The Honorable Brooke L. Rollins
Secretary
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Ave., SW
Washington, DC 20250

Dear Secretary Rollins,

As USDA considers updates to school meal pattern requirements to align with the new 2025-30 Dietary Guidelines for Americans, we, the 900+ undersigned school districts, school nutrition professionals, and school nutrition organizations, respectfully **urge USDA not to increase the Meat/Meat Alternate (M/MA) requirement.**

As the professionals responsible for operating school meal programs each day, we are committed to providing nutritious, balanced, and appealing meals that support student health, academic achievement, and lifelong healthy eating habits. Increasing the minimum required M/MA component would place additional financial strain on school nutrition programs and risk displacing foods that address nutrients of public health concern when students are already meeting or exceeding protein recommendations.

Students' Protein Needs Are Already Being Met

Current meal pattern requirements already provide students with as much or more protein than is recommended by the 2025-2030 Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Protein is found in several meal components, including milk, grains, and vegetables, in addition to the M/MA category. USDA's own analyses show that National School Lunch Program (NSLP) participants consume 73g of protein per day for elementary students, 72g for middle school students, and 92g for high school students across a 24-hour period.¹ Indexed to body weights for these age groups, that equates to 2.1-2.9 g/kg for elementary school students, 1.4-1.8g/kg for middle schoolers, and 1.3-1.7g/kg for high schoolers – all of which meet or exceed the new DGA recommendations.

Increasing M/MA Risks Crowding Out Fiber and Other Nutrients

While students' protein needs are being met under the current meal patterns, there is room to improve when it comes to ensuring enough fiber consumption, which comes from plant sources like fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and pulses.

¹ Fox, M. K., & Gearan, E. (2019). *School Nutrition and Meal Cost Study: Summary of Findings*. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service. Volume 4, p. 202. <https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/SNMCS-Volume4.pdf>

NSLP participants consume approximately 6 grams of fiber at lunch on average² – similar to nonparticipants – while Adequate Intake levels for school-age children range from approximately 25–38 grams per day, depending on age and sex.³

Fiber is associated with reducing all-cause mortality, colorectal cancer, type 2 diabetes, and heart disease, and improving gut health.⁴ Increasing M/MA could crowd out fiber-rich foods on lunch and breakfast trays like fruits, vegetables, and whole grains that are under-consumed by students.

Maintaining the M/MA component as-is allows districts to design balanced menus that address both macronutrient adequacy and nutrients of public health concern.

School Meal Program Budgets Are Already Financially Strained

The M/MA component is typically the most expensive and price-volatile part of the reimbursable meal. Increasing required quantities would compound existing financial pressures.

According to a recent School Nutrition Association survey, 98% of school meal program operators reported ongoing challenges related to food costs, and only 26% report that current reimbursement rates fully cover the cost of producing lunch.⁵ Increasing requirements for the costliest meal component would require districts to reallocate limited funds from other areas – including fresh fruits and vegetables, local sourcing, scratch cooking, food waste reduction, and innovating to increase student participation and satisfaction. Many programs would go further into debt.

In addition, districts are still implementing the 2024 updates to the meal standards. A major change to the meal pattern such as an increasing the M/MA minimums or removing the flexibility to offer grains or M/MA for breakfast would create operational uncertainty and drive up costs, particularly for small, rural, and high-poverty districts. Manufacturers would need to reformulate products to meet new quantity thresholds, recipes would need to be revised, staff would need to be retrained, and software updated – all of which would ultimately result in higher prices for schools.

At a time when child nutrition programs are struggling to stabilize budgets, comply with the most recent updates to meal patterns, and meet other program goals, increasing M/MA minimums

² Fox, M. K., & Gearan, E. (2019). *School Nutrition and Meal Cost Study: Summary of Findings*. U.S. Department of Agriculture. Volume 4, p.198. <https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/SNMCS-Volume4.pdf>

³ Food and Nutrition Board, Institute of Medicine, National Academies. Dietary Reference Intakes (DRIs): Recommended Dietary Allowances and Adequate Intakes, Total Water and Macronutrients <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK56068/table/summarytables.t4/>

⁴ HHS and USDA. (2026) The Scientific Foundation For The Dietary Guidelines For Americans. https://cdn.realfood.gov/Scientific%20Report_508.pdf

⁵ School Nutrition Association. (2026). *SY 2025-26 School Nutrition Trends Report*. <https://schoolnutrition.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/SY-25-26-School-Nutrition-Trends-Report.pdf> (School Nutrition Association)

would impose a significant fiscal and administrative burden on program operators that is not nutritionally justified.

Conclusion

School nutrition professionals work every day to carefully balance nutritional quality, student preferences, operational feasibility, and fiscal responsibility. Maintaining the current M/MA requirement will allow districts to continue meeting students' protein needs while prioritizing dietary components that are more often under-consumed.

Thank you for your continued leadership and partnership in supporting the health and well-being of our nation's children.

Respectfully,

Arizona

Stanfield Elementary School District
School Lunch Pro
Amanda Herd, Food Service Director
Angela Gomez, Nutrition and Wellness Supervisor
Lorinda El Aouita, Food Service Director
Ms. Robin Rinehart, Food Service Manager
Sarah Byrd, Area Supervisor - Nutrition and Wellness

Arkansas

Beebe School District
Carlisle School District
Clinton School District
Graduate Arkansas Charter School
Gravette School District
Nettleton Public Schools
Paragould School District
Scholarmade Preparatory Academy
Alica Hill, Child Nutrition Manager
Belinda Murray, Child Nutrition Director
Celeste Scarborough, Child Nutrition Director
Jackie Perry, Child Nutrition Director
Jennifer Mosley, Manager
Kari Sayger, Child Nutrition Director

Katrina Brewer, Child Nutrition Director
MaKayla Rettig, Manager Trainee
Nancy Gann, Cafeteria Manager
Paula Bailey, Food Service Director
Sheila Bailey, Child Nutrition Director
Sheila Roughton, Child Nutrition Director
Sherry Jumper, Child Nutrition Director
Tammie Works, Child Nutrition Director

California

Anderson Valley Unified School District
Capistrano Unified School District
Carpinteria Unified School District
Cypress School District
Encinitas Unified School District
Escondido Union School District
Fountain Valley School District
Goleta Union School District
La Habra City School District
Lewiston Elementary School District
Los Alamitos Unified School District
Mountain View School District
New West Charter School
Orcutt Union School District
Pajaro Valley Unified School District
Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District

Pleasanton Unified School District
San Luis Coastal Unified School District
San Mateo-Foster City School District
Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District
Victor Valley Christian School
Willows Unified School District
Yuba Environmental Science Charter Academy
Downs & Martin Children's Services
Sacramento County Office of Education
Sonoma County Healthy School Meals Coalition
Adrienne Garza, Fiscal Services Coordinator
Amanda Carr, Operations Supervisor
Amanda Timar, Director Child Nutrition
Anita Rodriguez, Food Service Coordinator
Anna Scimone, Director of Nutrition Services
Anna Vasquez, Nutrition Manager
Annie Ryu, Director of Food Services
Avis Durden, Food Service Director
Brian Volz, Food Service Director
Christina Lawson, Food Service Director
Connie Berna, Cafeteria Manager
Connie Peterson, Head Cook
Dan Cappello, School Nutrition Consultant
Debra Campbell, Business Administrator
Dmitriy Tsoy, Child Nutrition Coordinator
Erin Primer, Director of Food and Nutrition Services
Erendida Moreno, Director of Nutrition and Student Welfare
Evaleanna Benton, Food Manager
Fany Williams, Foodservice Director
Fran Debost, Director of Child Nutrition Services
Gordon Kobayashi, Paraeducator
Hannah Carroll, Director, Food Services
Ida Maydon, Food Service Director
Irene Rodriguez, Director of Nutrition Services

Jena Aitken, Director, Food & Nutrition Services
Jessica Sanchez, Child Nutrition Services Programs Facilitator
Josie Perez, Culinary & Innovation Supervisor
Juli Schulz, VP Strategy & Programs
Kerry Billner, Director of Child Nutrition
Kristin Hilleman, Director II Food and Nutrition Service
Kristina Kim, Nutritional Operations Facilitator
Lasya Shah MS RD, Operations Coordinator for Child Nutrition Services
Lea Bonelli, Director of Child Nutrition
Lucy Hicks, School Nutrition and School Finance Consultant
Maria Sharp, Food Service Director
Melanie Pardini, Cafeteria Manager
Michael Bottarini, Director of Food Service
Michael Burns, Director of Nutrition Services
Miguel Silva, Director of Nutrition
Nancy Wikes, Director of Food Services
Parisa Shukla, Director, Child Nutrition
Regina Ocampo, Director, Nutritional Services
Rita Cook, Cafe Manager
Rita Hill, Food Manager
Sarah Kimiecik, Director of Child Nutrition
Shan Gao, Child Nutrition Services Director
Steven Seligman, Chef/Coordinator
Suzy Sayre, Director of Nutrition Services
Suzanne Brown, Director, Food Services
Tracee Franks, Director
Vanessa Guerrero, Dietary Supervisor

Colorado

Adams County School District 14
Cheyenne Mountain School District 12
Gunnison Watershed RE1J School District
Hanover School District 28
Harrison School District 2

Ignacio School District
Mancos School District RE-6
Mesa County Valley School District 51
Valley School District RE-1
Dana Elkins-Greene, Director of Nutrition
Emina Gibic, Registered Dietitian
Erica Montoya, Nutrition Director
Joleen Locke, Director of Food Service
Kasja Larson, Nutrition Services Director
Kacey Armes, Food Service Director
Kelsey Nally, Assistant Director of Nutrition Services
Kevin Stanley, Nutrition Director
Kim Cotta, Director of Nutrition Services
Laura Mouriquand, Director of Nutrition Services
Lisa Kendall, Nutrition Services Director
Melissa Koehler, Food Service Director
Monica Deines-Henderson, Director, Nutrition Services
Sean Prevatt, Director of Nutrition Services

Connecticut

New Beginnings Family Academy
Area Cooperative Educational Services
Dr. William A. Rice, Assistant Executive Director
Luis Cartagena, Chief Financial & Operating Officer
Maria Peck, Head Cook
Todd Daigle, Food Service Manager / Head Chef

Florida

DT Preparatory Academy
Lake County School Board
Palm Bay Academy
Saint Helen Catholic School
True North Classical Academy
Carol Chong, Administrative Director

Elizabeth Seeley, Program Manager, Food and Nutrition Services
Fernando Bacomo, Director of Food & Nutrition
Janet Esteves, School Lunch Program Director
Linda Milliken, Director Food and Nutrition Services
Shaunda Young, Food Program Director
Victoria Cordell, Food Service Manager

Georgia

Ackerman Academy
Baldwin County School District
Gainesville City School System
Hall County School District
Stewart County Educational Complex
Thomas County School District
Walker County School District
Alisa Jones, School Nutrition Director
Cheryl Jones, Executive Director, Nutrition
Emily House, School Nutrition Coordinator
Jeana Smith, Director of School Nutrition
Keira Reiter, School Nutrition Bookkeeper
Kimberly Long, Consulting Dietitian
Michelle Coker, Director
Mona Hubbard, Nutrition Director
Sara Sheridan, Nutrition Coordinator / Registered Dietitian
Susan Nelson, Nutrition Director

Idaho

Mountain View School District 244
Evelyn Coolidge, Child Nutrition Director
Maureen Burney, Foodservice Director

Illinois

Albers Elementary School District 63
Brookwood School District 167
Central Stickney School District 110

Cerro Gordo Community Unit School District
100
Community Consolidated School District 15
Gardner Community Consolidated School
District 72C
Hiawatha Community Unit School District
426
Johnsburg Community Unit School District 12
Quincy Public School District #172
Abigail Cano, Vice President of Finance and
Food Services
Anna M. Wolk, Food Service Director
Ariel Prost, Secretary of Food Service
Department
Beth MacKenna, Director of Nutrition
Services
Cynthia Lauritzen, Food Service Director
Emily Dupuis, Food Service Director
Erin Hackett, Superintendent
Jean Kinder, Director of Food Services
Janice Machnikowski, Nutrition Director
Jessica Gile, Head Cook
Joyce Hiler, Food Service Director
Lisa Kretsinger, Kitchen Manager
Lynn Carter, Cafeteria Coordinator
Michelle Kovar, Manager of Business Services
Tina Woods, Director of Nutrition Services
Tracy Schulte, Food Service Director
Verna Morecraft, Foodservice Manager

Indiana

Anderson Community School Corporation
Bartholomew Consolidated School
Corporation
Borden-Henryville School Corporation
Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of
Indianapolis
Community Schools of Frankfort
East Noble School Corporation
Inspire Academy
Lake Station Community School Corporation

Marian High School
Metropolitan School District of New Durham
Township
Metropolitan School District of Wabash
County
North Vermillion Community School
Corporation
Pioneer Regional School Corporation
Saint Thomas More School
Seymour Community School Corporation
Silver Creek School Corporation
South Central Community School
Corporation
South Newton School Corporation
St. Christopher School
St. Joseph Catholic School
St. Louis Academy
St. Paul's Lutheran School
St. Therese Catholic School
Tri-Creek School Corporation
Triton School Corporation
Alexander R Burgess, Director of Food
Services
Amber Lancaster, Cafeteria Manager
Amber Simmons, Food Service Director
Amy Hartwell, Operations Manager
Anje Chasteen, Director of Food Services
Cami Whitten, Food Service Director
Christy Nale, Food Service Director
Dana South, Food Service Director
Elizabeth Ewing, Nutrition Program Manager
Gretchen Huntzer, Director of Child Nutrition
Janet Willis, Food Service Director
Jennifer Van Horn, Cafeteria Director
Jill Riggs, Director of Food Service
Joshua Sinclair, Food Service Director
Julie Bohnstedt, Food Service Director
Julie Boyer, Food Service Director
Karen Hagenow, Food Service Director
Karen Hagenow, Food Service Coordinator
Kelli Wittman, Cafeteria Manager

Kelsi Hall, Director of Nutrition and Food Services
Kim Shull, Food Service Secretary
Leslie Draper, Executive Director
Lisa Mischke, Food Service Director
Margo Lemler, Food Service Director
Melissa Lawlyes, Head Cook
Nancy Millspaugh, Director of Food Service
Pamela Hale, Foodservice Manager
Patricia Davids, Food Service Manager
Paula Bolin, Food Service Director
Roger Urick, Food Service Director
Ruth Moody, Head Cook
Shanna Flora, Food Service Director
Stacey Townsend, Director of Child Nutrition Programs
Stephanie Bertz, Food Service Director
Tami Wyant, Food Service Director
Whitney Korte, Cafeteria Manager

Iowa

Collins-Maxwell Community School District
Earlham Community School
East Mills Community School District
Eastern Allamakee Community School District
Lenox Community School District
Lewis Central Community School District
Mid Prairie Community School District
Northwood-Kensett Community School District
Notre Dame Elementary
Sacred Heart Catholic School
South Central Calhoun Community School District
Starmont Schools
Woodward-Granger Community School District
Allison Ketter, Food Service Director
Amber Rance, Food Director
Amy Hennigar, Nutrition Director

Becky West, Nutrition Director
Brenda Dohlman, Dietary Manager
Judy Weston, Food Service Director
Laura Sunde, Food Service Director
Marci Stanfield, Nutrition Director
Maria Arceo, School Nutrition Professional
Michael Hoppe, Nutrition Services Director
Monica Graybill, Food Service Director
Rachel Page, Head Cook
Samantha Dempster, Food Service Director
Sarah Veare-Whitehead, Food Services Director
Sheila Anderson, Food Service Director

Kansas

Caney Valley Unified School District 436
Crest Unified School District No. 479
Emporia Public Schools (USD 253)
Greeley County Schools Unified School District 200
Hays Unified School District 489
Maize Unified School District 266
Neodesha Unified School District 461
Trinity Catholic Junior/Senior High School
Wichita Catholic Secondary Schools
Christi Heatly, Food Service Director
Christine Wilson, Kitchen Manager
Christina Marquardt, Food Service Director
Cynthia Denning, Kitchen Manager & Head Cook
David Carlson, Director of Food Service
Gerardo Valle, Kitchen Manager
Heidi Wells, Foodservice Director and Registered Dietitian
Janet Marshall, Food Service Director
Jeannie Guhr, Director of Nutrition Services
Jessica Younker, Director of Nutrition Services
Kaitlyn Winsor, Kitchen Manager
Karen Trindal, Kitchen Manager

Leslie Whitebird, Food Service Kitchen Manager
Lynette Drevo, Assistant Director of Foodservices
Megan Barnard, Director of Food Service
Nancy Ellington, Food Service Director
Patti Kreis, Food Service Director
Rick Stephens, Director of Nutrition
Rochelle Moore, Kitchen Manager
Vicki Versailles, Kitchen Supervisor

Kentucky

Woodford County Board of Education
Courtney Quire, Food Service Director

Louisiana

Allen Parish School Board
Bossier Parish School Board
Cameron Parish School Board
Concordia Parish School Board
Evangeline Parish School Board
Jefferson Davis Parish School Board
Plaquemines Parish School Board
April Fruge Hall, Child Nutrition Program Supervisor
Barbara Victorian, Child Nutrition Program Director
Barbara Victorian, Director of Child Nutrition Programs
Donna Norris, Director of Food Service
Jessica Holden, Manager
Karla Horton, Child Nutrition Director
Lucretia Hertzock, Director of Child Nutrition
Michelle D. Bethea, Director of Child Nutrition
Missy Poole, Child Nutrition Program Director
Tina Coleman, Supervisor, Child Nutrition Programs

Maine

AOS 98 School District

Central Lincoln County Schools (AOS 93)
Community Regional Charter School
Falmouth Schools
Jefferson Village School
Madawaska School Department MSAD 27 / RSU 33
Mount Desert Island Regional School System (AOS 91/SAD 76)
Regional School Unit 14
Regional School Unit 54 / MSAD 54
Regional School Unit 68
Sanford School Department
School Administrative District 44
Westbrook School Department
Allison Perkins, School Nutrition Director
Angela Mercer, School Nutrition Manager
Candy McAlpine, Kitchen manager
David Boger, School Nutrition Director
Heather Whitten, Food Service Director
Heidi Stevens, Food Service Director
Jana Wacome, School Nutrition Director
Jeanne Reilly, Director of School Nutrition
Kathy French, Food Service Worker
Mary Emerson, School Nutrition Director
Melanie Lagasse, Food Service Director
Michelle Miller, Nutrition Director
Mimi Rainford, Teaching Principal
Nadean Burr, Kitchen Manager
Paul Milliken, Food Service Director
Ryan Kimball, Food Service Director
Tim Pierce, Kitchen Manager South School
Vicki Dill, Kitchen Manager

Maryland

Dorchester County Public Schools
Lisa Peters, Food Service Manager
Rhonda Cobourn, Cafe Manager
Valarie Parmer, Supervisor of Child Nutrition

Massachusetts

Hillcrest Educational Centers

McAuley Nazareth Inc.
Provincetown Schools
Southeastern Regional School District
Swampscott Public Schools
Home for Little Wanderers
Andrew Bernard, Food Service Manager
Heather Day, Kitchen Manager
Maureen Kellett, Food Service Director
Megan Ahrenholz, School Nutrition Director
Shelley Mangan, School Meals Program Manager

Michigan

Countryside Academy
Hagar Riverside School District
June Altom, Child Nutrition Director and Coordinator

Minnesota

Academias La Paz
Alexandria Public Schools (ISD 206)
Aspen Academy
Bagley Public Schools (ISD 162)
Blessed Trinity Catholic School
Catholic Community Schools
Comfrey Public School
Community School of Excellence
Cornerstone Montessori Elementary School
Crosslake Community Charter School
Detroit Lakes Public Schools (ISD 22)
Duluth Public Schools (Independent School District 709)
Escuela Éxitos
Fergus Falls Public Schools (ISD 544)
Great Oaks Academy
Hinckley–Finlayson Public Schools
Hopkins Public Schools (ISD 270)
Lakeville Area Schools (ISD 194)
Metro Deaf School
Minnewaska Area School District (ISD 2149)
Mora Public Schools

Nett Lake Elementary School
New Millennium Academy
Northwest Passage High School
Oak Hill Montessori Community School
Risen Savior Lutheran School
Rochester Central Lutheran School
Royalton Public Schools (ISD 485)
Rushford-Peterson School
Spero Academy
St. Cloud Area School District (ISD 742)
St. Mary's School
St. Pascal Regional Catholic School
St. Raphael Catholic School
Urban Academy Charter School
West Central Area School District (ISD 2342)
Madone Inc
Adrienne Stelzer, Administrative Assistant
Allie Brownlee, Kitchen Protection Manager
Alyssa Schwartz, Head of School
Andrea Johnson, Head Cook
Andrea Mathison, Administrative Assistant
Andrea Schaak, Director of Student Nutrition
Barbara Torres, Food Service Manager
Braeanne Porter, Kitchen Manager
Bridget Gallagher, Director of Food and Nutrition
Carolyn Pugh, Food Services Director
Chris Bewell, Director of Business Operations
Christine James, Executive Assistant
Christine Reed, Vice President of Operations
Deb Langlois, School Food Authority / Financial Administrator
Denise Erickson, Administrative Assistant / Certified Food Manager
Ge Xiong, Chief Operations Officer
Heather Stutz, Director
Kim Hinrichs, Foodservice Director
Luis Vanegas, Executive Director
Marjorie Kahl, Head Cook
Melissa Sack, Food Service Director

Sarah Randall, Food Service Manager
Sheila Oak, Director of Child Nutrition
Siobhan Lockhart, School Nutrition &
Hospitality Coordinator
Soren Anderson, Teacher and Lunch Server
Tracy Barry, Food Service Manager

Mississippi

Calhoun County School District
South Delta School District
Jill Zattoni, School Nurse
Linda McGee, Director of Food Service
Michelle Doler, Child Nutrition Director

Missouri

Calvary Lutheran School
Central R-III School District
Christ Community Lutheran School
Gasconade County R-IV School District
Jefferson C-123 Schools
Miami R-I School District
Momentum Academy
Norwood R-I School District
St. Joseph's School
Thornfield R-I School District
Amber Southard, Middle School Science /
STEAM Teacher
Janice Boessen, Head Cook
Jacob Reiner, Superintendent / Principal
Jennifer Kassel, Food Service Director
Michelle Navin, Food Service Director
Rachel Lauer, Food Service Director
Tammy Johnson, Food Service Director
Terri Gregory, Food Service Director
Vicky Cotrel, Food Service Employee

Montana

Carolyn Mosier, Administrative Secretary

Nebraska

Christ Lutheran Elementary School

Elwood Public Schools
Faith Lutheran School
Lindsay Holy Family School
Loup City Public Schools
Osceola Public Schools (School District #19,
Polk County)
Pawnee City Public Schools
Pender Public Schools
St. Joseph Schools
Weeping Water Public Schools
Belinda Rodriguez, Food Service Director
Bonnie Sekutera, Dietary Manager
Deirdra French, Food Service Director
Felicia Rademacher, Kitchen Supervisor
Jani Sue Kanger, Kitchen Manager
Jodie Nash, Kitchen Director
Julie Denker, Director of Food Service
Kim Scheinost, Food Nutrition Director
Lynsey Graham, Food Service Director
Nancy Alexander, Kitchen Director
Pam Buchholz, Food Service Manager
Rebecca Nielsen, Kitchen Manager
Shelly Denbo, Head Cook
Sherry Lindhorst, Head Cook

New Hampshire

Laconia School District
Michael Sconce, Food Service Director
Moss Crutchfield, Director of Food &
Nutrition Services

New Jersey

LEAD Charter School
Windsor Prep
NuWay Concessionaires
Youth Consultation Service
Andrea Liber, Cafeteria Manager
Carlos Acosta, Director of Food Services
Marlon Calliste, Manager of Operations
Nicole Spagnola, Administrative Assist
Sal Valenza, Food Service Director

New Mexico

Dzilth-Na-O-Dith-Hle Community School
Hobbs Municipal Schools
McCurdy Charter School
Taos Day School
Alissa Trujillo, Assistant Business Manager /
Nutrition Coordinator
Dorothy Martinez, School Cook
Eva Carpenter, Food Service Director
Meredith Sandy, Head Cook
Sonya Moore, Student Nutrition Director

New York

Academy Charter School
Allegany-Limestone Central School District
Batavia City School District
Comsewogue Union Free School District
East Ramapo Central School District
Fairport Central School District
Franklin Central School
Hamburg Central School District
Margaretville Central School
New York School for the Deaf
Red Creek Central School
Saugerties Central School District
Schalmont Central School District
Schenectady City School District
Shenendehowa Central School District
Smithtown Central School District
Solvay Union Free School District
Yeshiva Avir Yakov Boys' School
Whitsons Culinary Group
Annette Marchbanks, Director of Food
Service
Cathy Hancock, Food Service Director
Chaya Malik, Food Service Director
Deborah Rhodes, School Lunch Manager
Frances Izquierdo, Manager
Jill Weisman, Food Service Director
Jeannette Frabizio, Child Nutrition Director

Kayla George, Food Service Manager
Katy Headwell, Director of Food Services
Kim Abram, Food Service Director
Marnie Levy, Chef
Michael Herr, Food Service Director
Michele Resavage, Director of Food Service
Pamela Gallant, Food Service Manager
Rose Montanaro, Director of Dining Services
Shulem Einhorn, Food Service Director
Susan Presher, Food Service Director
Zelda Eisenberg, Food Service Director

North Carolina

Cherokee County Schools
Greene County Public Schools
Newton-Conover City Schools
Balanced
Next Generation Academy
Angela Murphy, Director of Nutrition
Crissy King, School Nutrition Director
Donnie Lynthacum, Child Nutrition
Jennifer Hibberts, Director of School Nutrition
Nancy Price, School Nutrition Director
Sarah Shah, Nutrition Director

North Dakota

Grand Forks Public Schools
Wendy Mankie, Director of Child Nutrition

Ohio

Alive Vineyard Academy
Archbold Area Local Schools
Berkshire Local Schools
Bishop Hartley High School
Blissfield Community Schools
Cedar Cliff Local Schools
Chippewa Local Schools
Clermont Northeastern Local School District
Columbia Local School District
Conneaut Area City Schools
Continental Local School

Crestview Local Schools
Crestwood Local Schools
Cuyahoga Falls City Schools
Edgerton Local Schools
Edison Local Schools
Genoa Area Local Schools
Gibsonburg Exempted Village Schools
Keystone Local School District
Liberty Local School District
Licking Heights Local School District
Lima City Schools
Madison Local School District
Margaretta Local Schools
Marysville Exempted Village Schools
Minford Local Schools
Nordonia Hills City School District
Oregon City Schools
Perkins Local School District
Ridgewood Local School District
River View Local Schools
Rocky River City Schools
Rossford Exempted Village Schools
Ripley Union Lewis Huntington Local School District
Solon City Schools
St. Bernard-Elmwood Place City School District
St. Gerard Catholic School
St. Rita School for the Deaf
Summit Academy Schools
Valley Christian Schools
West Holmes Local Schools
Central Ohio Youth Center
Cuyahoga Valley Career Center
Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Grant Career Center
Wingspan Care Group
Andrea Helton, Director of Nutrition Services
Angie Lilly, Food Service Supervisor
Anjali Wallace, Administrator

Carrie Caudill, Food Service Director
Carrie Keller, Food Service Director
Carrie Woodruff, Food Service Director
Cathy Baney, Child Nutrition Director
Cindy Schaefer, Food Service Director
Christine Schafrath, Food Service Director
Colleen Neely, Food Service
Director/Supervisor
Courtney Shepherd, Food Service Supervisor
Dawn Martin, Food Service Director
Diane Koons, Food Service Supervisor
Elaine Webber, Director of Nutritional Services
Elizabeth Gillette, Food Service Manager
Gina Nash, Director of Food Service
Gloria Jahahn, Cafeteria Director
Heidi Dressler, Director of Nutrition and Food Service
Jenn Oliver, Food Service Director
Jennifer Hirsch, Nutrition Services Director
Jody White, Food Service Supervisor
John Music, Assistant Supervisor of Food Services
Jovie Metz, Food Service Coordinator
Julie Kalisik, Food Service Supervisor
Julie Sollars, Director of Nutrition
Kathleen Kocik, Food Service Coordinator
Kathleen Miluk, Food/Event Manager
Kelly Gnap, Food Service Supervisor
Liz Dillon, Kitchen Manager, Cook
Lorie Pennington, Director of Child Nutrition
Lynne Hutchison, Food Service Director
Marsha Heilman, Food Service Supervisor
Matthew Goings, Food Service Director
Melissa Bailey, Cafeteria Manager
Michelle Stoffer, Food Service Director
Missy Bauer, Food Service Director
Neka Freeze, Food Service Director
Patty Copenhaver, Cafeteria Manager
Sandy Babcock, Cafeteria Supervisor
Suellen Backus, Food Service Director

Tammy Wilt, Director
Terri Carawy, Food Service Director
Terri Hoerth, Food Service Director
Theresa Schrand, Food Service Director
Tina Wasserbauer, Nutrition Services
Supervisor
William E Bailey Jr, Nutrition and Food
Service Supervisor

Oklahoma

Beggs Public Schools
Duncan Public Schools
Becky Barnes, Child Nutrition Director
Devyn Manns, Child Nutrition Director
Lu Ann Worthley, Child Nutrition Director
Nela Edwards, Child Nutrition Director
Sandra Howell, Child Nutrition Director
Shonia Hall, Executive Director School
Nutrition Services

Oregon

Central School District 13J
Sweet Home School District 55
West Linn-Wilsonville School District
Nudge to Nourish
Alex Singer, Nutrition Director
Amber Walker, Nutrition Services Director
Crystal Frandsen, Nutrition Director and
Executive Assistant
Debby Webster, Nutrition Services Director
Kimberly Burns, Director
Lindsey Flores, Nutrition Services Manager
Sheryl Allen, Dietitian

Pennsylvania

Bermudian Springs School District
Central Columbia School District
Dallas School District
Dover Area School District
East Allegheny School District
Elk Lake School District

Hanover Area School District
Holy Trinity Catholic School
Lake Lehman School District
Lincoln Park Performing Arts Charter School
United School District
Metz Culinary Management
Alyssa Simmers, General Manager
Anna Bayer, General Manager
Ariel Cowperthwait, Food Service Director
Ashley Fonzo, General Manager
Betsy Smith, General Management
Darlene D. Wendrock, Food Service Director
Denise Ehrbar, Administrative Assistant
Denise Lamson, General Manager
Judy Sterling, Director of Food Services
Kaitlin Hannigan, General Manager
Katlyn Kirkpatrick, General Manager
Kelly M. Renard, Director of School Nutrition
Martin Lorenzo, Director of Food Service
Melissa Schad, Child Nutrition Director
Michael Tori, Special Education Teacher
Phillip Balestrieri, Food Service Director
Robert J. Hasse, District Manager
Scott McCully, Food Service Director
Steve Belles, Manager
Tom Krulack, Assistant General Manager

Rhode Island

Jill Holloway, School Meals Coordinator

South Carolina

Clarendon County School District
Greenwood School District 50
Horry County School District
York School District 1
Amy Stabler, Director of Child Nutrition
Angela Thomas, Area Supervisor, Nutrition
Services
Douglas Gause, Area Supervisor
Gwen Phillips, Director of Student Nutrition
Joy McKinney, Nutrition Service Supervisor

Kim Johnson, Director of Nutrition Services
Latisha Holt, Director of Dining Services
Laura Rau, Supervisor

Tennessee

Benton County Schools
Bradford Special School District
Henry County School System
Humphreys County School System
Lexington City Schools
Milan Special School District
Sullivan County School District
Trenton Special School District
Trousdale County Schools
Union City Public Schools
Weakley County Schools
Amber Anderson, School Nutrition Supervisor
Cindy Stephens, School Nutrition
Administrative Assistant
Jan Page, Food Service Director
Kathrun Atwood, Supervisor, School Nutrition
Lisa Seiber-Garland, School Nutrition
Director
Michele Wright, School Nutrition Director
Patricia Williams, Nutrition Coordinator
Vickie Dunaway, School Nutrition Director
Vicky Roberson, Food Service Director
Vonda Bradford, Director of School Nutrition

Texas

Bridge City Independent School District
Carrizo Springs Consolidated Independent
School District
Central Heights Independent School District
Columbia-Brazoria Independent School
District
Cooper Independent School District
Cross Plains Independent School District
Fort Sam Houston Independent School
District
Ganado Independent School District

Graham Independent School District
Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School
District
Gruver Independent School District
Leonard Independent School District
Loraine Independent School District
Manor Independent School District
Millsap Independent School District
Mission Consolidated Independent School
District
Nederland Independent School District
Oakwood Independent School District
Pineywoods Community Academy
Poteet Independent School District
Prairiland Independent School District
Pringle-Morse Consolidated Independent
School District
Progreso Independent School District
Red Oak Independent School District
River Road Independent School District
San Diego Independent School District
Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City Independent
School District
Smithville Independent School District
Vysehrad Independent School District
Weslaco Independent School District
Westbrook Independent School District
Department of Juvenile Services serving
Cooke Grayson Fannin
Acenette Gonzalez, Menu Planner
Ahna Delgado, Nutrition Director
Alma Garcia, Food Service Secretary
Amiee Harkins, Assistant Director of Child
Nutrition
Audrey Lawson-Sanchez, Executive Director
Brenda Rodriguez, Director
Candy Biehle, District Child Nutrition Director
Christina Graham, Child Nutrition Director
Clarissa Borunda, Assistant Food Service
Director
Cynthia King, Child Nutrition Director

Debra Wilson, Food Service Director
Elena Garza, Child Nutrition Director
Fernando Mendez, Child Nutrition Director
Jackie Waldrep, Child Nutrition Director
Jamie Knott, Nutrition Director
Jodi Arispe, Food Service Director
Karen Marroquin, Director of Student Nutrition
KayLeigh Kaiser, Coordinator of Nutrition and Procurement
Lillian Barnett, Director
Linda Fisher, Food Service Director
Lisa Alex, Food Service Director
Maggie Joubert, Director of Food Services
Marcos Rodriguez, Director for Child Nutrition
Marisela Perez, Purchasing Supervisor
Melissa Barnett, Cafeteria Nutrition Manager
Melanie Duncan, Director of Nutrition
Paula Smith, Child Nutrition Director
Ray Williams, Child Nutrition Director
Rhima Ramirez, Child Nutrition Supervisor
Ryan Cengel, Director of Food and Nutrition Services
Stephanie Thompson, Cafeteria Manager
Tammy Mitchell, Food Service Director
Tanisha Bodden, Child Nutrition Director
Tanya Bryant, Food Service Director
Theresa Earle, Cafeteria Manager

Utah

American Leadership Academy
Beaver County School District
Gateway Preparatory Academy
Lincoln Academy
South Sanpete School District
Uintah School District
Cindy Wade, Food Service Director
Delene Coates, Child Nutrition Director
Heather Wood, Foods and Nutrition Director
Julie Rust, Child Nutrition Dietitian

Kelly Orton, Child Nutrition Director
Lindy Johnson, Nutrition Director
Marci Johnson, Foods Director
Michelle Yardley, Food Service Specialist
Sherry Hardman, Child Nutrition Director

Vermont

Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union
Ian Rose, Food Service Director

Virginia

Bland County Public Schools
Bristol Virginia Public Schools
Chesterfield County Public Schools
Fauquier County Public Schools
Highland County Public Schools
King and Queen County Public Schools
Nelson County Public Schools
Staunton City Schools
Waynesboro Public Schools
Amanda Warren, Director of School Nutrition
Beth Morris, Director of School Nutrition
Crissy Connell, Supervisor of School Nutrition
Gwendolyn Jones, School Nutrition Program Supervisor
Jennifer Gibson, Food Service Coordinator
Kelli Sarver, Supervisor of School Nutrition
Kelly Combs, School Nutrition Programs Coordinator
Kelly Shomo, School Nutrition Director
Laura Cash, School Nutrition Secretary
Leeah Parks, Director of Child Nutrition Programs
Lisa Jamison, Food Service Director
Marendia Garner, Director of School Nutrition
Sandra Stokes, Coordinator of Special Programs
SueAnn Fox, Director

Washington

Dayton School District
Edmonds School District
McCleary School District
North Mason School District
Soap Lake School District
Tumwater School District
Washington School Nutrition Association
Alicia Stapleton, Food Service Director
Alexandra Epstein-Solfield, WSNA President
Andrew Pense, Director of Child Nutrition
Bob Gibson, Director of Food Service
Jessie Campbell, Nutrition Services
Supervisor
Mackenna Long, Director
Megan Devries, Food and Nutrition Services
Director
Mitchell Koger, Child Nutrition Manager
Tiki Willey, Business Manager

West Virginia

Doddridge County Schools
Monongalia County Schools
Brian Kiehl, Child Nutrition Director
Patti Miller, Food System Consultant /
Facilitator
Tiffany Curran, Child Nutrition Coordinator

Wisconsin

Almond-Bancroft School District
Augusta School District
Cochrane-Fountain City School District
Germantown School District
Hillsboro School District
Immanuel Lutheran School and Child Care
Center
Marshfield School District
McFarland School District
Mount Horeb Area School District
Riblake School District
Saint Sebastian School
School District of Hartford Joint #1

School District of New Berlin
School District of Osceola
School District of the Menomonie Area
Shell Lake School District
Siren School District
St. Anthony Catholic School (Athens)
St. Clement School
St. Croix Falls School District
Thorp Catholic School
Verona Area School District
Whitewater Unified School District
Amanda Brakke, Food Service Director
Amy Dauscher, School Food Service Director
Cari Venzke, Interim Food Service Director
Christie Mastey, Food Service Director
Cindy Jensen, Director School Nutrition
Services
Dana Miesbauer, Foodservice Director
Dennis A. Wibben, Director of Nutritional
Services
Erika Syverson, School Food Service Director
Hannah Hallum, Food Service Director
Jacki Ribble, School Nutrition Director
Jenna Anthony, Assistant Nutrition Director
Jennifer Schaaf, Food Service Director
Jennifer Stibs, Kitchen Food Manager
Jill Seefeld, Food and Nutrition Director
Jodi Becker, District Administrator
Kerry Johnson, Director of Nutrition
Kendra Conley, Principal
Lisa Kraye, Food Service Director
Michelle Denk, Food Service Director
Naomi Cayce, Food Service Director
Robyn Billig, Food Service Director
Ryan Breunig, Director of Food Services
Sara Flitter, Food Service Director
Sheila Price, Nutrition Services Supervisor
Stacy Nelson, Director of Food & Nutrition
Services
Susan Mayer, School Nutrition Director
Susan Sweigart, Food Service Director

Theresa Kraft, Nutrition Director / Head Cook
William Lolwing, Food Service Manager

Wyoming

Uinta County School District #6
Dawndrea Daly, Retired Food Service Coordinator
Natalee Gaylord, Food Service Director