

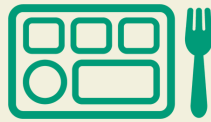


# WHY SHOULD ALL KIDS HAVE FREE MEALS AT SCHOOL?

## School meals for all can:



Provide school nutrition professionals certainty and funding to plan and deliver nourishing meals to students.



Promote equity and remove stigma by giving all students the nourishment they need to learn and thrive.



Foster a sense of community in the cafeteria where all students are welcome and have opportunities to learn about food.

*"When the students returned to school after months of remote learning, our service members helped create a culture of inclusion and connectedness in the cafeteria where school meals are provided for all at no cost. Students were encouraged to try new foods with taste tests and engage with food in a fun way, through cooking classes and promotions that celebrate foods and the cultures of the school community. These experiences shape our children's healthy habits for a lifetime."*

**—Dawn Crayco, Regional Director, FoodCorps**



## What can I do to support school meals for all kids?

- Stay informed. Sign up for FoodCorps' newsletter and action alerts to learn about public policy news – [www.foodcorps.org/signup](http://www.foodcorps.org/signup)
- Take action by contacting your elected officials in support of school meals for all.
- Participate in your local government – including school board meetings and town halls – and raise your voice in support of school meals for all.

## ABOUT FOODCORPS

FoodCorps partners with schools and communities to nourish kids' health, education and belonging. We use evidence-based tools to provide kids with nourishing meals, food education, and culturally affirming experiences with food, and we advocate for policies that support every kid's health and wellbeing. Our goal is that by 2030, every child will have access to food education and nourishing food in school.

Learn more at [www.foodcorps.org](http://www.foodcorps.org).