

STATE *of* WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT *of* PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Proclamation

Whereas, food insecurity among low-income children increases during the summer months due to out-of-school time, causing many families to struggle; and

Whereas, summer meal programs, like the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) administered by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's Community Nutrition Team, help ensure our children receive regular and adequate nutrition all year long by providing nutritious food for kids and families struggling with food insecurity, at no cost; and

Whereas, the summer months provide a unique opportunity for schools to integrate locally sourced foods and to test new recipes, and regional producers benefit from a reliable outlet for their products during these months; and

Whereas, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, we have seen school and community food service programs play a critical role to ensure kids in their communities still have access to regular, nutritious meals.

Therefore, be it resolved that, I, Jill K. Underly, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, declare the week of June 20 – 24, 2022, as Summer Meals Week to reaffirm the state of Wisconsin's commitment to ensure that every child in Wisconsin receives high quality and nutritious meals year-round and that no child goes hungry this summer.

Summer Meals Week

June 20 – 24, 2022



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jill Underly".

Jill K. Underly, PhD, State Superintendent