

## Proclamation

## BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

## **Summer Meals Week**

WHEREAS: Food insecurity among children increases during the summer

months as families struggle to make up for lost school meals;

and

WHEREAS: Summer meal programs, like the Sumer Food Service Program

(SFSP) administered by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's Community Nutrition Team, helps 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: SFSP sponsors can increase participation in summer meals by

sourcing local food items, thereby improving the quality and appeal of meals and keeping kids engaged through fun, hands-

on activities; and

WHEREAS: The summer months provide a unique opportunity for schools

to integrate locally sourced foods and test new recipes, and regional producers benefit from a reliable outlet for their

products during these months; and

WHEREAS: Wisconsin is committed to ensuring that no child goes hungry

this summer and receives high quality and nutritious summer

meals;

THEREFORE: I, Jill K. Underly, State Superintendent of Public Instruction,

declare the week of June 17 - 21, 2024, as Summer Meals

Week.

Proclaimed the week of June 17 - 21, 2024



Jill K. Underly, PhD. State Superintendent

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