## Department of Defense (DoD) Fresh Produce Program Information

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Department of Defense (DoD) have partnered together to increase the availability of a wide variety of fresh fruits and vegetables delivered directly to School Food Authorities (SFAs) participating in the USDA Foods program. The partnership allows SFAs to use USDA Foods entitlement dollars to purchase fresh produce. DoD vendors offer a wide variety of high quality, American-grown produce, including pre-cuts, pre-packed, as well as locally and regionally grown produce. Participating SFAs place orders directly through an easy-to-use DoD online ordering website.

For the 2024-25 School Year Annual Order/Survey, schools have the option to participate in or commit to this program by entering an entitlement commitment on the Annual Order/Survey that is due by **February 29**, **2024**. You must enter the minimum allocation of \$500 on the annual order/survey. For further details on the entry of the DoD entitlement commitment via the annual order, please refer to the ordering instruction posted on Wisconsin Ordering system webpage.

PLEASE NOTE: The allocation of entitlement dollars to this program is a school year commitment. Any unused entitlement dollars will be lost at the end of the school year. Since USDA does not rollover unused entitlement into the next school year, DPI will assess each SFA's DoD entitlement commitment balance annually, in March. For SFAs that have significant balances, little activity, and/or non-activity, DPI reserves the right to reallocate unused entitlement commitment dollars to other SFAs.

For further details of the program, please visit the DoD Fresh Produce website.



## Nondiscrimination Statement for USDA Child Nutrition Programs (Updated May 2022)

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the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

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## 1. mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

2. fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

3. email: program.intake@usda.gov

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