

House Education Committee Oregon State Capitol 900 Court Street NE Salem, Oregon 97301

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I am writing on behalf of the Oregon Farm to School and School Garden Network in strong support of HB 2760 and HB 2765. The Oregon Farm to School and School Garden Network supports efforts to incorporate healthy, local food into school meals.

HB 2760 and HB 2765 improve access to school meals for student success. School meals help every student learn, grow, and succeed. Yet one in three kids living in a food insecure household doesn't qualify for school meals. Oregon can become the first state to offer meals to all kids at no charge. Students who eat breakfast at school are more likely to have better attendance, graduate, and earn more as adults.

HB 2760 and HB 2765 improve access to school meals for student success. Oregon's Farm to School Grant Program ensures those meals are healthy! Students deserve access to healthy school meals!

Please support HB 2760 and HB 2765, for the health and success of Oregon's students.

Sincerely,

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