



10 Cents a Meal for Michigan's Kids & Farms is Michigan's local food incentive program implemented by the Michigan Department of Education. The program provides schools, early care and education centers, and other organizations participating in USDA Child Nutrition programs with match funding up to 10 cents per meal to purchase and serve Michigan-grown fruits, vegetables, and legumes.

For program year 2022-2023 10 Cents a Meal is available statewide and has \$9.3 million in funding!



ECONOMY

- The program supports Michigan's economy by directing more money—including federal dollars—to Michigan's food and farming businesses, doubling the state's investment, and building stronger local food supply chains. Schools and organizations awarded funds match the grant one-to-one with existing food dollars.



AGRICULTURE

- 10 Cents a Meal helps support a growing farm to school market for Michigan's farmers. In the 2020-2021 grant year 63 fruits, vegetables, and legumes grown by 109 farms in 40 counties were purchased and served.



HEALTH

- 10 Cents a Meal provides kids access to nutritious, high- quality, local food so they are ready to learn and grow. Schools are where our children get up to two or sometimes even three meals a day—even if school is out for a crisis like COVID-19.



EDUCATION

- Food and nutrition activities as part of the marketing and education aspect of the program enrich children's education through hands-on learning about food, health, agriculture, and subjects like math and science.

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HOW TO GET ENGAGED

Learn more: Visit tencentsmichigan.org and check out our legislative reports, success stories, and more!

Spread the word: Raise awareness about this innovative program by sharing information about it with your community.

Sign up as a supporter on our website: Get a spot on our supporter page and be automatically added to our e-newsletter lists.

Volunteer: Help your local schools and organizations participating in the program with taste tests, cooking demos, or on-site gardens!

Inspire your school: Let local schools and organizations who feed children know about 10 Cents a Meal as a funding opportunity.

Get social: Keep up with 10 Cents a Meal on social media—we are on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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