

Our Page of Love

Testimonials for our School Meal & Snack Program from staff at School District 42

Thanks to the support of the Friends In Need Food Bank our school population is given the opportunity to eat healthy, balanced meals that they are otherwise not receiving at home. Nearly 50% of our students make use of the donations on a regular basis. When children are well fed, they will learn better, behave better, and feel better. They are less likely to be distracted and more cooperative with their peers.

Tamera Lumbis-Mojtahedpour
Youth Worker

We feed close to 150 students each day and our programs are heavily reliant on the generous donations from the Friends In Need Food Bank. Because of them we are able to provide essential protein such as milk, cheese and yoghurt to students coming from homes without enough to eat. Having the support of the Friends In Need Food Bank is vital to the success of supporting these kids and their families

Shannon Moody
Youth Worker

If I did not have access to this amazing program, I would not be able to provide the number of students that I do with food. If they are ever in need of some extra food, students can come and grab something, which is only possible because of the Friends In Need donations each week. These donations have helped us to reach more students which has helped to reduce the stigma around food support

Shay Olenick
CCW

Your commitment and generosity has increased our ability to provide a consistent snack/nutrition program for our District's most vulnerable students, providing trust, connectedness, and stability. Despite increasing demand for food, Friends In Need continues to serve students with compassion, kindness, and a genuine spirit of care. It does not go unnoticed. Another year - another huge thank you to this team of humans!

Lori Hamilton
Youth Worker

Your support is crucial in ensuring students receive the nourishment needed to thrive academically and personally. Offering daily breakfast and snacks strengthens our connection with the students, fostering trust and care. This is vital for their social and emotional development, as well as their academic success. Thank you for making such a positive difference in the lives of our students. We deeply appreciate your partnership.

Hannah Nicoll
Child Care Worker

The healthy food and snacks provided keep our students full and ready to learn all day long. As the need in our school community continues to grow, we would not be able to continue to meet the needs of our school families without the generous and continued support of the Friends In Need Food Bank and their hardworking, selfless team. We cannot thank them enough for their dedication and support of our community.

Kellie McNutt
Child & Youth Care Worker

We have many students who do not have food security at home, by providing nutritious meals and snacks to these disadvantaged students, your program removes a barrier to our student's ability to learn. We have also found that having healthy food in our support room has given us the opportunity to start conversations and build relationships with some of our students, allowing us to better support them.

Glenda Petersen
EA Trades

One of the most important student needs, and one that isn't going away anytime soon, is the need to supplement food, especially for our high risk, low income families. This program delivers right to our school and enables me to stay and work with my students instead of taking time away to go pick up food. This doesn't sound like a big deal, but due to lack of hours for youth workers, every minute we get with our students is so very important.

Christa Dey-Girard
Youth Worker

