Average number of lunches served daily: 984,151
Total number of Georgia schools participating in National School Lunch Program: 2,345
Total number of school nutrition employees: 13,014
Total number of students with school meal access: 1,750,516

Health Inspection Average Score: 98.8%

Average Cost* to produce a school meal
Lunch: $4.13
Breakfast: $2.60
*Based on district reported data

59.6% Students eligible for free or reduced price meals

Cost Breakdown
- FOOD 44%
- LABOR 40%
- OTHER 12%
- EQUIPMENT 2%
- INDIRECT 2%

Facts & Figures
SCHOOL YEAR 2022-23

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Programs Administered
- National School Lunch
- School Breakfast
- Afterschool Snack
- Seamless Summer Option
- Special Milk
- Farm to School
- Fresh Fruit & Vegetable
- Food Distribution
- Local Food for Schools
MEALS SERVED SCHOOL YEAR 22-23
- Breakfast: 102+ million
- Lunch: 179+ million
- Snack: 8.9+ million

SUMMER MEALS SERVED SCHOOL YEAR 22-23
- Breakfast: 2.4+ million
- Lunch: 3.1+ million
- Snack: 65+ thousand

5th Largest School Nutrition Program in the nation

Number of Certified Food Safety Managers: 2,478

Local Food in Georgia School Meals
- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Department of Defense (DoD) Fresh Produce Entitlement for Georgia: $35+ million
- Out of that, $4+ million was spent on local foods (Georgia and bordering states)

Additionally, Georgia was awarded a USDA Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement in the amount of $7+ million to support even more Georgia Grown foods in Georgia School meals.

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