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166 schools to participate in Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

MADISON — Apples, bananas, and kiwi, kohlrabi, mushrooms, and spinach are not just spelling or vocabulary words in Wisconsin elementary schools. For nearly 57,000 students, they are snack-time foods provided through grants from the federal Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program.

Of the \$150 million allocated nationwide for the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, 166 public and private schools in Wisconsin will share just under \$3 million in federal funding to provide students a fresh fruit or vegetable snack at least three times a week during the school day. Selection for the 2011-12 school-year grants was based on schools with the highest percentage of students certified for free or reduced-price school meals. In Wisconsin, elementary schools chosen for the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program grants had 53 percent or more of their students qualified for subsidized school meals.

“Children from low-income families generally have fewer opportunities to consume fresh fruits and vegetables on a regular basis,” noted State Superintendent Tony Evers in announcing the grants. “Through this program, students sample a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, and data shows the healthy snack is having an impact on food choices outside the program.”

In previous years, schools participating in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program have had kickoff activities, used colorful posters to promote healthy snacking, incorporated “nutrition fun facts” into morning announcements, and integrated lessons on healthy eating and behavior as an accompaniment to snack time. A number of schools have partnered with various community groups and are working with the Farm to School program to purchase locally grown produce. Additionally, some schools are learning to grow their own gardens to support the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program and other nutrition activities.

Wisconsin joined the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program in 2006 with 25 participating schools. Those participating in the program for the 2011-12 school year will receive approximately \$50 per child to provide snacks to all students during the school day.

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NOTES: A list of U.S. Department of Agriculture Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program grants for the 2011-12 school year follows. This news release is available electronically at http://dpi.wi.gov/eis/pdf/dpinr2011_77.pdf.

USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grants

Wisconsin Schools Receiving Grants for the 2011-2012 School Year

Abbotsford School District

Abbotsford Elementary, \$18,100

Adams-Friendship School District

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Elementary, \$27,627

Grand Marsh Elementary, \$7,700

Roche A Cri Elementary, \$8,123

Alma Center School District

Merrillan Lincoln School, \$17,250

Amery School District

Lien Elementary, \$22,112

Appleton Area School District

Badger Elementary, \$16,346

Columbus Elementary, \$8,600

Foster Elementary, \$13,700

Highlands Elementary, \$28,700

Horizons Elementary, \$19,956

Jefferson Elementary, \$18,552

Lincoln Elementary, \$16,446

McKinley Elementary, \$22,463

Ashland School District

Lake Superior Primary, \$19,050

Lake Superior Intermediate, \$19,454

Marengo Valley, \$8,450

Augusta School District

Augusta Elementary, \$16,600

Baraboo School District

South Elementary, \$18,151

Bayfield School District

Bayfield Elementary, \$8,300

**Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine
School District**

Pembine Elementary, \$6,100

Beloit School District

Burdge Elementary, \$10,529

Converse Elementary, \$16,847

Cunningham Elementary, \$13,000

Gaston Elementary, \$20,808

Hackett Elementary, \$16,050

McLenegan Elementary, \$14,550

Merrill Elementary, \$14,900

Robinson Elementary, \$17,198

Todd Elementary, \$13,450

Eau Claire Area School District

Flynn Elementary, \$13,588

Lakeshore Elementary, \$20,800

Longfellow Elementary, \$14,650

Flambeau School District

Flambeau Elementary, \$14,841

Florence School District

Florence Elementary, \$11,883

Fond du Lac School District

Chegwin Elementary, \$17,298

Parkside Elementary, \$16,747

Riverside Elementary, \$20,658

Gilman School District

Gilman Elementary, \$10,800

Green Bay Area Public Schools

Chappell Elementary, \$15,500

Danz Elementary, \$26,600

Doty Elementary, \$19,850

Eisenhower Elementary, \$24,400

Fort Howard Elementary, \$16,350

Howe Elementary, \$21,500

Jefferson Elementary, \$8,450

Keller Elementary, \$21,000

Kennedy Elementary, \$17,300

Lincoln Elementary, \$10,650

Sullivan Elementary, \$32,400

Tank Elementary, \$9,500

Greenwood School District

Greenwood Elementary, \$10,750

Hayward Community School District

Hayward Intermediate, \$16,697

Hayward Primary, \$20,106

Janesville School District

Lincoln Elementary, \$18,702

Kenosha Unified School District

Brass Elementary, \$22,964

Columbus, \$13,738

Edward Bain School

of Language and Art, \$41,000

Frank Elementary, \$21,300

Grant Elementary, \$12,685

Jefferson Elementary, \$16,550

McKinley Elementary, \$13,137

Wilson Elementary, \$11,850

La Crosse School District

Franklin Elementary, \$9,350

Hintgen Elementary, \$19,103

Roosevelt Elementary, \$7,621

Lac du Flambeau School District

Lac du Flambeau Elementary, \$24,400

Ladysmith School District

Ladysmith Elementary, \$17,850

Lake Geneva Joint #1 School District

Eastview Elementary, \$16,700

Star Center Elementary, \$21,560

Loyal School District

Loyal Public School, \$14,139

Madison Metropolitan School District

Aldo Leopold Elementary, \$35,200

Emerson Elementary, \$15,393

Falk Elementary, \$19,650

Glendale Elementary, \$26,350

Henry David Thoreau

Elementary, \$20,206

Lake View Elementary, \$12,900

Lincoln Elementary, \$18,150

Lindbergh Elementary, \$11,000

Sandburg Elementary, \$19,000

Schenk Elementary, \$20,650

Manitowoc School District

Jefferson Elementary, \$20,950

Madison Elementary, \$13,000

Marinette School District

Garfield Elementary, \$12,535

Park Elementary, \$13,588

Mauston School District

Grayside Elementary, \$12,685

West Side Elementary, \$18,552

Menasha Joint School District

Butte de Morts Elementary, \$21,350

Gegan Elementary, \$20,600

Jefferson Elementary, \$9,600

Nicolet Elementary, \$7,170

Menominee Indian School District

Keshena Primary, \$20,150

Menomonie Area School District

River Heights Elementary, \$19,705

Mercer School District

Mercer Elementary, \$3,510

Merrill Area School District

Jefferson Elementary, \$11,081

Kate Goodrich Elementary, \$17,350

MILWAUKEE (Non-MPS)

Atonement Lutheran, \$10,279

Central City Cyberschool, \$19,350

Cross Trainers Academy, \$6,318

Indian Community School

of Milwaukee, \$13,900

Messmer Preparatory

Catholic School, \$22,000

Milwaukee College
Preparatory Academy, \$15,042
Northwest Catholic East, \$8,323
Northwest Catholic West, \$11,031
Saint Adalbert School, \$24,350
Saint Marcus School, \$21,259
Saint Martini Lutheran
School, \$10,630
Saint Rafael the Archangel, \$18,200
Saint Rose and St. Leo
Catholic School, \$20,650
School for Early Development
and Achievement, \$3,761

Milwaukee Public Schools

53rd Street Elementary, \$22,312
Barton School Elementary, \$22,413
Bethune Academy, \$23,400
Brown Street Academy, \$18,400
Cass Street Elementary, \$18,050
Congress Elementary, \$42,569
Cooper Elementary, \$21,209
Elm School, \$28,730
Gaenslen Elementary, \$34,296
Hawley Environmental, \$15,894
Hayes Bilingual School, \$18,602
Hopkins-Lloyd Community
School, \$18,000
Jackson Elementary, \$14,290
Kagel Elementary, \$18,702
Kilbourn Elementary, \$15,092
King Jr. Elementary, \$17,048
Kosciuszko Montessori, \$22,011
La Causa School, \$31,400
Lincoln Avenue Elementary, \$29,050
Lowell Elementary, \$12,184
MacDowell School, \$27,025
Manitoba Elementary, \$26,925
Milwaukee Sign Language
School, \$28,329
Mitchell Elementary, \$37,053
Morgandale Elementary, \$29,081
Pierce Elementary, \$24,318

Siefert Elementary, \$25,622
Story Elementary, \$23,415
Zablocki Elementary, \$27,800

Necedah Area School District

Necedah Elementary, \$16,700

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Menominee Tribal School, \$9,777

North Crawford School District

North Crawford Elementary, \$15,894

Northwood School District

Northwood Elementary, \$8,750

Oneida Nation School System

Oneida Nation Elementary, \$17,250

Owen-Withee School District

Owen-Withee Elementary, \$14,791

Parkview School District

Orfordville Elementary, \$11,733

Prairie du Chien School District

B.A. Kennedy Elementary, \$12,950
Bluff View Intermediate, \$25,722

Rib Lake School District

Rib Lake Elementary, \$11,231

Richland School District

Jefferson Elementary, \$8,600

River Valley School District

Lone Rock Elementary, \$5,000

Sauk Prairie School District

Black Hawk Elementary, \$6,418
Tower Rock Elementary, \$5,566

SHAWANO

Sacred Heart Catholic School, \$5,550

Stanley-Boyd Area School District

Stanley Elementary, \$20,708

Stevens Point Area School District

James Madison Elementary, \$21,059

Superior School District

Lake Superior Elementary, \$9,527

Tri-County Area School District

Tri-County Elementary, \$13,638

Two Rivers School District

Koenig Elementary, \$13,789

Watertown Unified School District

Lincoln Elementary, \$7,120

Waukesha School District

White Rock Elementary, \$13,800
Whittier Elementary, \$17,549

Wausau School District

Franklin Elementary, \$16,997
Grant Elementary, \$9,075

Wausaukee School District

Wausaukee Elementary, \$13,237

Wautoma Area School District

Redgranite Elementary, \$5,114

Wisconsin Rapids School District

Mead Charter School, \$20,900