

Kittery School Nutrition Program Quarterly Report

TO: *Eric Waddell, Superintendent*
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RE: *School Committee Quarterly Report*

The following paragraph still remains true, so I'm including it once again!

The School Nutrition team continues to ROCK! They are packing meals to be delivered to classrooms K-8 for in school learners, delivering meals for remote learners and preparing and serving meals to Traip students.

We are wrapping up the school year at Shapleigh by having a cookout this week with Sergeant Durgin, Officer Cummer and other KPD grilling some delicious burgers. The kitchen staff are thrilled to be able to see the students again! Serving will be done outside following the current KSD guidelines. Mitchell School and Shapleigh School will also be treating students with ice cream sandwiches.

The amazing school nutrition program staff have served almost 200,000 meals since the pandemic began. This is truly exceptional more so for the fact that K-8 kitchens are packing meals and not able to see the students.

In that same time period, the School Nutrition Program has graciously received over \$40,000 in grants with a majority coming from Full Plates, Full Potential. They have been very supportive of our program for many years, but since the pandemic started, more so than ever!

Below is information on FPPF for those not familiar with their cause.

Our Story

Full Plates Full Potential is a coalition of community leaders, stakeholders and advocates working to end child hunger in Maine. Started in 2014 by John Woods and Justin Alford, the organization was born out of the work of the Maine Legislature's Task Force to End Student Hunger. Through that work, we realized that Maine desperately needed a statewide organization focused solely on maximizing participation in federal child nutrition programs.

Over the last five years, we have awarded 164 grants totaling more than \$320,000 across all sixteen counties, and worked with schools and community organizations to expand children's access to meals — and we're just getting started.