

Submitter: Katie Snyder  
On Behalf Of:  
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TO: House Committee on Education  
FROM: Katie Snyder, RDN  
SUBJECT: Yes on HB 3435

Chair Neron, Vice-Chair McIntire, Vice-Chair Dobson, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Katie Snyder. I am a pediatric Registered Dietitian and I am writing to voice my strong support of House Bill 3435, School Meals for all, which would ensure that every Oregon kid has the food they need at school, regardless of where they live in the state or how much money their parents make.

Students can't learn when they're hungry, or when they're worried about where their next meal might come from. School meals enable students to grow and learn, and provide far-reaching benefits beyond the school day.

Data shows that school meals bring cognitive and nutritional improvements, even compared to those who have access to food from home.

We all want to see our children flourish – food is essential to children's health and learning.

I am calling on our lawmakers to pass School Meals for All this legislative season so that all of our kids have the food they need to learn and grow.

Thank you.