Key Information

- Superintendent of Maryland Public Schools, Dr. Karen Salmon, with the consent of the State Board of Education, ordered public schools to close effective March 13, 2020, in response to the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency. On March 25, 2020, Dr. Salmon and The Board extended the temporary school closures until April 24, 2020. On April 17, 2020 school closures were extended until May 15, 2020. On May 6, 2020, Dr. Karen Salmon announced that schools will remain closed for the remainder of the 2019-2020 academic year.

- The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Office of School and Community Nutrition Programs (OSCNP) and Maryland schools and agencies are committed to continuing meal service for children and teens during school closures.

- Maryland schools and agencies are offering free ‘Grab-N-Go’ meals, in a non-congregate setting through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Visit MDsummerMeals.org to find available meal sites in Maryland.

Statewide Weekly Meal Totals

Weekly Highlights

- During Week 23 (8/16-22) over 657 thousand meals were served.
- Some sites were closed due to the scheduled closure of summer meal service sites.
- MSDE has implemented all waivers issued and approved by the USDA to permit schools and agencies in Maryland to continue meal services for children and teens since the beginning of school closure.

Data reported as of 8/23/2020

EatSmartMaryland.org
In Week 23, Maryland agencies served over 657 thousand Grab-N-Go meals to children and teens.

County numbers vary due to county population, site eligibility, and region.