



## Food Security Supports for Students



Thank you for your interest in helping to feed our young people! A hungry child is rarely ready to learn in a meaningful, effective way, and helping to fuel their bodies with access to healthy, nutritious food increases their chances of having a successful day in school. At this time there are 2 active programs continuing to run during the current pandemic - Fuel for School and School Pantry Grants.

### Fuel for School

Fuel for School is the CBE's breakfast program offered in several high-needs elementary schools. Students attending the program have a safe, supervised space to attend before school starts where they are offered a nutritious breakfast, access to a supportive adult, and social time with peers. The program helps to identify and support vulnerable students in a discrete, non-judgmental way while ensuring they have the nutrition needed to fuel their growing bodies.



### School Pantry Grants

School pantry grants of \$1,000-\$2,500 are provided to high-needs schools to ensure that students have access to nutritious, protein-rich snacks throughout the day. Different schools have different needs, but previous grants have seen fresh fruit, granola bars, yogurt, milk, fruit sauce, and bran muffins made available to hungry students. Snacks provided with a school pantry grant are open to all students of a school to help reduce stigma. Any child may access a snack if they are hungry, not just students considered high needs or vulnerable,

Both of these programs help to get food to students in need without stigma or judgement. As a supporter of either program, you will get recognition on all appropriate EducationMatters and CBE communication channels including website and social media.

Providing appropriate food security supports have always been essential for our students. More than 25% of CBE schools are situated in high needs communities, and the 2020 pandemic has only increased the amount of families that are struggling. Your investment into these students will help them to learn, grow, and eventually graduate ready to join you as part of the solution in fighting child hunger and poverty.