



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Minnesota's school nutrition professionals, early care providers, farmers, producers, and food system workforce are recognized and celebrated for their leadership ensuring that children in Minnesota are nourished and ready to learn; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota's schools and early care providers play a vital role in shaping children's nutrition and fostering lifelong healthy eating habits. In 2023, Minnesota passed the Free School Meals for Kids Program, ensuring every student has access to fresh, quality food; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is home to many vibrant, small and mid-sized family farms that supply local schools, early cares, and markets with fresh, local produce; and
- WHEREAS: Individuals who identify as Black, Indigenous, Latine, people of color, and Immigrants make up a significant portion of our food system workforce and play a significant role in ensuring our access to food; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota's school nutrition professionals, early care providers, farmers, and farm workers are recognized and celebrated for their leadership in ensuring that children in Minnesota are nourished and ready to learn; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota relies on collaborations with state agencies and community partners to achieve common goals, promote equity and inclusion, ensure thriving communities, and uplift children and families; and
- WHEREAS: Farm to School and Early Care empowers children and their families to make informed food choices, strengthens the local economy, and contributes to vibrant communities; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota supports children, school nutrition professionals, early care providers, farmers, producers, and food system workforce, and recognizes the critical importance of access to fresh food.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as:

FARM TO KIDS MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 26th day of September.




GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE