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INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCES 2015 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM SITES

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Department of Education announced its 2015 Summer Food Service Program sites today. This summer, the Department has partnered with more than 250 school and community sponsors throughout Indiana to serve free, nutritious meals to Hoosier students.

“The Summer Food Service Program is vitally important to ensuring that all Hoosier students have access to healthy, nutritious meals all summer long,” said Glenda Ritz, Indiana’s Superintendent of Public Instruction. “As a classroom educator, I have seen firsthand the impact that high-quality nutrition programs can have on student learning. That is why, today, I am excited to announce our 2015 Summer Food Service Program sites that will provide children with access to proper nutrition throughout the summer.”

Last summer, school and community sponsors served more than three million meals and snacks to Hoosier students using innovative approaches such as mobile feeding sites. Community groups also took meals directly to children in parks, neighborhoods, and community centers.

The Summer Food Service Program is a federal nutrition program administered by the USDA and the Indiana Department of Education. The program is designed to meet the needs of low-income children in areas where children may have limited access to good nutrition. The Summer Food Service Program can provide up to two free meals per day to eligible children and youth ages 18 and under.

Additional information about the Summer Food Service Program, including an interactive map with site locations and hours of operation, can be found here: <http://www.doe.in.gov/nutrition/summer-food-service-program>.