

Denver Public Schools Breakfast After the Bell

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A Hunger Free Colorado Means Feed Every Child Every Day

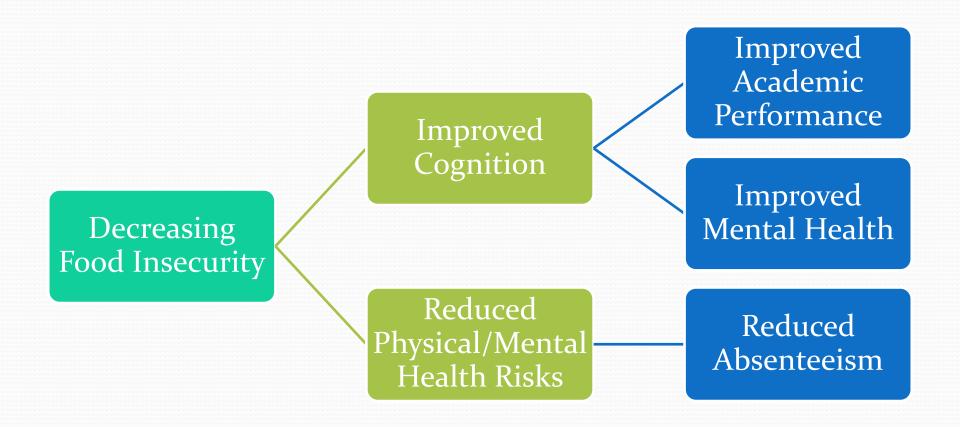
(DPS Food Services Mission Statement)

So that

Every Child Succeeds

(DPS Core Value)

How Can We Make a Difference? Breakfast and Achievement



Added Benefits

- No Stigma: Breakfast is available to all (some students think breakfast is only for the "free" kids...Breakfast is free for all students)
- Teachers and students eat together with BIC...
 (one teacher commented that her students look at her more as a human being after sharing meals!)
- Convenient: Saves time and money for parents...

Overview of the DPS Breakfast After the Bell Programs

- Breakfast in the Classroom (BIC) expanded from 8 schools in 2007 to 67 schools today.
- Average Daily Breakfast Participation = 29,500 meals or 33.7% of students
- In August 2014, BIC will be offered in 76 schools, "Hospitality Carts/Grab and Go" will be offered in 8 schools and second chance breakfast will be offered in the remaining required BAB schools.
- Anticipate at least 4,954 additional meals next year.
- Implementation follows best practice guidelines.

Evaluation Results for the DPS Breakfast in the Classroom Program

- Two-thirds of over 500 DPS Teachers surveyed (or 65.6%) have a positive view of the BIC program.
- Two-thirds believe that the BIC program improves student attention (64.7%) and student concentration (63.0%).
- More than half (or 54.6%) believe that the BIC program improves student academic outcomes.

Teacher Feedback on the DPS-BIC Program

- I think highly of the breakfast program because students cannot learn on an empty stomach.
- I think it's a great way to increase academic achievement.
- It is amazing to me how much building relationships revolves around food and having the access to nutritious food. For many of our students this represents caring and one less thing they have to worry about.

Questions?

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