SCHOOL BREAKFAST IN PENNSYLVANIA

MERCER COUNTY



County Totals

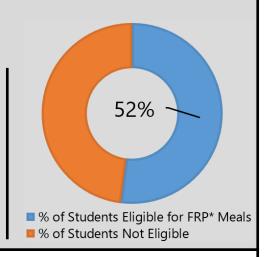
- 12 School Districts
- 32 Schools
- 32 Schools (100%) Serve Breakfast

14,116

Total Students

6,931

FRP*-Eligible Students



Breakfast by the Numbers

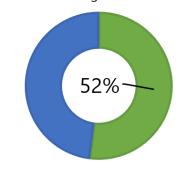
- Daily FRP* Breakfasts
- Daily FRP* Lunches

2,861

5,499

Breakfast-Lunch Ratio:

(Of all the students eating FRP* school lunch, the percent also eating FRP* school breakfast)



^{*}Free and Reduced-Price (FRP) eligibility is 185% of the poverty line and below, which for a family of four is \$46,435.

Benefits of School Breakfast

- Better scores on standardized tests
- · Better lifelong eating habits
- Lower risk of childhood obesity
- Fewer visits to the nurse's office
- Fewer behavioral & discipline problems
- · Fewer absences, tardy arrivals, and missed class time

Data from the PA Department of Education, October 2018



^{**}The "Blueprint for a Hunger-Free PA" includes a goal for PA to achieve a breakfast to lunch ratio of 60% by 2020. Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) promotes a 70% breakfast to lunch ratio goal. (See reverse for citations.)

School District Totals

		Number of Schools		Number of	Average Daily Par- ticipation		Breakfast
School District	Number of Schools		Number of Students	FRP*-Eligible Students	Breakfast	Lunch	to Lunch Ratio
Commodore Perry	1	1	455	234 (51%)	86	185	47%
Farrell Area	3	3	768	768 (100%)	507	633	80%
Greenville Area	2	2	1,271	630 (60%)	239	508	47%
Grove City Area	4	4	1,939	656 (34%)	137	417	33%
Hermitage	3	3	2,106	830 (39%)	246	553	44%
Jamestown Area	2	2	443	217 (49%)	101	171	59%
Lakeview	3	3	963	383 (40%)	101	324	31%
Mercer Area	3	3	1,058	462 (44%)	128	363	35%
Reynolds	2	2	1,071	809 (76%)	441	629	70%
Sharon City	4	4	2,035	1,533 (75%)	633	1,160	55%
Sharpsville Area	3	3	1,189	525 (44%)	178	376	47%
West Middlesex Area	2	2	818	357 (44%)	97	224	43%

^{**}The Governor's Food Security Partnership report: "Setting the Table, A Blueprint for a Hunger-Free PA" can be found at: http://dhs.pa.gov/ending-hunger/about/blueprint/index.htm

The Food Research and Action Center's (FRAC) "School Breakfast Scorecard, 2017–2018 School Year" can be found at: http://frac.org/research/resource-library/school-breakfast-scorecard-2017-2018-school-year-february-2019

Note on Methodology:

The average daily student participation data for the 2018-2019 school year were calculated by dividing the number of free and reduced-price (FRP) breakfast and lunches served in October of each year by the number of school days for that same month. The average daily FRP school breakfast participation was then compared to the average daily FRP lunch participation. District totals include individual schools that do not have breakfast programs as long as at least one district school serves breakfast.