



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, for nearly 50 years, the School Lunch Program has contributed to the health and educational development of Alabama's children by making nutritious meals available in public schools; and

WHEREAS, every October, the School Nutrition Association and the U.S. Department of Agriculture join together to celebrate National School Lunch Week; and

WHEREAS, research has indicated that students who eat lunch have better attention and memory. Poor nutrition is linked with absenteeism, health problems, hunger symptoms and psychosocial problems; and

WHEREAS, scientifically-based food and nutrition information contributes powerful education benefits to all elementary and secondary students; and

WHEREAS, the School Lunch Program served over 83,244,019 million lunch meals for the 2021-2022 school year to Alabama students; and

WHEREAS, the School Lunch Program is currently active in 1,456 schools statewide;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 10 through 14, 2022, as

School Lunch Week

in the state of Alabama.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 3rd day of October 2022.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor