

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 293 [2009 Assembly Bill 746]

Farm to School Programs

2009 Wisconsin Act 293 requires the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) to promote "farm to school" programs, the purposes of which include to connect schools with nearby farms to provide children with locally produced fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy products, and other nutritious, locally produced foods in school breakfasts, lunches, and snacks, to help children develop healthy eating habits, to provide nutritional and agricultural education, and to improve farmers' incomes. The Act also creates a grant program for farm to school programs and establishes a farm to school council.

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