VERMONT'S VISION FARM TO SCHOOL VISION

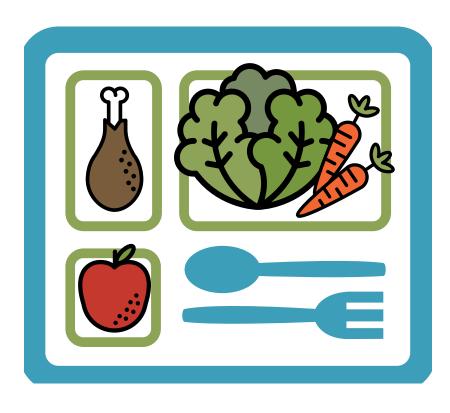
TODAY

- 55% of Vermont schools have a Farm to School program
- 16% of school budgets spent on local food
- 95% of schools report serving <u>some</u> local food
- 70,000 school meals served daily

GOAL BY 2050

- 75% of students involved in integrated food system education
- 50% of school food purchased from socially just, environmentally and financially sustainable regional food system
- Schools will serve more locally produced food, focused on meat, grains, and beans
- 70,000 Increased school meal participation

IMPACT



Vermont schools with Farm to School programs report twice the national average in vegetable consumption.

Through training and meeting equipment needs, Vermont schools with Farm to School programs are able to provide an increased variety of vegetables.

Vermont Farm to School leaders work with producers, processors, and distributors to help schools purchase more local food.

OPPORTUNITY

- Implementation of Farm to School Strategic Plan in 2015.
- Increased support and awareness for Farm to School from legislators, Agency of Education, Department of Health, VAAFM, and leverage new partnerships.
- New innovations in production, processing, and distribution, especially in Farm to Institution
- In-house school food programs spend nearly \$18 million per year.

