

## Prepare Now for National School Lunch Week!



The week of October 9-13 is [National School Lunch Week](#). The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) and the Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) are teaming up to raise awareness of the importance of child nutrition programs in schools.

Research shows that students who are adequately nourished at school:

- perform better academically
- behave better in the classroom

We invite school board members and superintendents to eat with students during that week to experience their local school lunches.

Encourage your board to participate by planning lunch with students that week. All they need to do is reach out to school nutrition staff and building administrators before their visit. Then they are encouraged to post to social media about their experience using the #NSLW23inOR hashtag and the ODE ([@ORDeptEd](#)) and OSBA ([@OSBANews](#)) handle.

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