Provide 10 cents per breakfast in USDA Foods to support the School Breakfast Program.

With 1 in 5 children living in food insecure households, the School Breakfast Program is critical to ensuring students receive the nutrition they need to succeed at school. Research shows students who eat school breakfast perform better on standardized tests, and have improved classroom behavior and attendance.

USDA estimated the updated nutrition standards would add 27 cents to the cost of preparing every school breakfast, but Congress provided no additional funds to help schools offset these costs (Source: USDA’s Nutrition Standards in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs; Final Rule).

Currently, schools receive USDA Foods support for school lunch, but there is no commodity support for school breakfast. Providing USDA Foods for breakfast will help offset the increased cost of meeting new breakfast requirements, assist schools in improving menus and support America’s agricultural producers.