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IN THIS ISSUE

There are three **Research in Action (RIA)** articles, one **Research Brief** article, and one **Practical Solutions** article. In the first RIA article, researchers investigated the methods and strategies adopted by child nutrition directors in southeastern U.S. schools to maintain efficient and safe school meal distribution during COVID-19. For the second RIA article, researchers aimed to determine the type and number of special diets and current policies and practices for accommodating special diets beyond standard meal patterns. In the third RIA article, the researchers explored principal, foodservice staff, and parent perceptions of implementing reusable serviceware in elementary school lunch settings. For the brief research article, researchers assessed the feasibility of an egg-based universally-free breakfast in the classroom versus a traditional school breakfast program for middle-schoolers. In the practical solutions article researchers explained the use of the Massachusetts School Wellness Coaching Model for providing guided support for the development and implementation of local school wellness policies. In the **Additional Content** section, representatives from USDA Food and Nutrition Services provided an update of ongoing research.

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