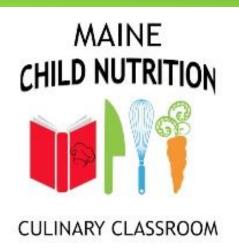


### Child Nutrition

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#### **Federal State Waivers**

- Maine has over 70 Federal waivers
- Meal time flexibility
- Non-congregate feeding
- Site eligibility flexibility
- Summer Program





## Participation

- Spring 2020 1.3 million lunches Statewide monthly
- Summer, schools closed early June, lunches dropped 1.1 million for the summer
- Fall confusion all levels averaged 1 million
- Winter about 1 million lunches per month





# How are they doing this

- Mobile routes
  - Vans, Buses
  - House to house, Neighborhoods
- Pickup locations
  - City hall, library
- At school
  - Hybrid
  - Onsite/off site



# Training/Communication

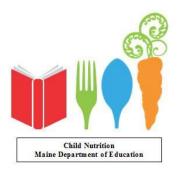
- Child Nutrition provided:
  - -WWW
  - weekly presentations, open office hours
  - Culinary webinars
  - Web page resources/library
  - Tips and hints menu and distribution





## Community Involvement

- Working with other Departments
- Working with Hunger partners
- Supporting Maine economy with fish
  - 7300lbs to schools and centers to date
  - Restaurants
  - Chamber of Commerce
    - Farmers



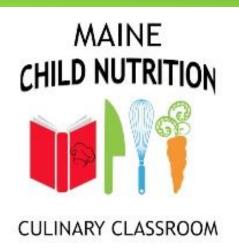
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