

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PROPOSITION FF
HEALTHY SCHOOL MEALS FOR ALL**

WHEREAS, Colorado Proposition FF would create and fund the Healthy School Meals for All Program in Colorado to reimburse participating schools to provide free meals to all students and provide schools with local food purchasing grants and school food-related funding; and

WHEREAS, no child should go hungry because they can't afford a nutritious meal; and

WHEREAS, per Hunger Free Colorado, more than 60,000 kids in Colorado can't afford school meals, but don't qualify for free or reduced-price lunches; and

WHEREAS, Hunger Free Colorado also reports that 2 out of every 5 Colorado families struggle to put food on the table for their children; and

WHEREAS, we know that school meal programs lead to improved health, better grades, higher attendance, and increased graduation rates; and

WHEREAS, the Healthy School Meals for All Program ensures students can focus on learning, not hunger; and

WHEREAS, the Healthy School Meals for All Program ensures all students have access to two healthy meals during the school day without the stigma of "low income."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Adams 12 Five Star Schools Board of Education officially declares its support for Proposition FF for the purpose of funding the School Meals Program and improving all students' opportunity to learn.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Adams 12 Five Star Schools Board of Education calls upon Colorado voters to vote "yes" on Proposition FF in the November 8, 2022 General Election.

Adopted by the Board of Education at its regular meeting of September 21, 2022.