



# Minnesota Senate

## Committee on Education Finance

Minnesota Senate Building 1150

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8:30 am – 10:30 am

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### Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. MDE Universal School Meals Update
  - a. Daron Korte, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Student Support Services, MDE
  - b. Sami Rajab, Assistant Director of Government Relations, MDE
3. Farm to School Testifiers
  - a. Laura Cullip, Loon Organics
  - b. Aimee Haag, Farm to School Coordinator, Dassel-Cokato, Litchfield, and Hutchinson School Districts (REMOTE)
  - c. Joan Olson, Prairie Drifter Farm (REMOTE)
4. School Staff Testimony
  - a. Stacey Koppen, Director of Nutrition Services, St. Paul Public Schools
  - b. Mandi Jung, Teacher, St. Paul Federation of Educators
  - c. Kristy Scott, Head cook, St. Cloud
  - d. Darcy Stuebe, Director of Nutrition Services, ISD 77
  - e. Alex Hoselton, High School Social Studies Teacher
5. Parent, Student, and Organization Testimony
  - a. Crystal FitzSimmons, Food Research and Action Center
  - b. Dr. Dianna Cutts, HCMC
  - c. Rachel Stoll, Board President, Advocates for Better Health
  - d. Kate Lundquist, Parent, Anoka Hennepin School District
  - e. Sophia Sam, Parent, Leed
  - f. Amber Lightfeather, Parent, Duluth

g. Janna Britz,  
Parent, Lindstrom

h. Leah Gardner,  
Hunger-Free  
School Coalition

6. Adjourn