



Task Force on Universal School Lunch

October 20, 2021, 10:00-11:10 a.m.

1 National Life Drive, Davis 5, Room 532

Montpelier, VT 05620-2501

AGENDA

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

Call In: 1-802-828-7667

Conference ID: 100 590 003#

Per [Act 67 of 2021](#), Sec.9, a Task Force on Universal School Lunch was created. The Task Force shall make recommendations on how, not later than the 2026–2027 school year, to achieve the goal of providing universal school lunch for all public school students at no cost to the students or their families and shall perform the following tasks: (1) recommend funding sources for universal school lunch; (2) recommend what data should be collected by local education agencies, school districts, and schools to qualify for federal funds based on student poverty, the means by which the data should be collected, the frequency of collection, and how this data should be reported to the Agency of Education and the frequency of this reporting; (3) consider how other states offer and fund universal school meals at no cost to students or their families; and (4) meet with Vermont’s federal delegation to discuss what changes could be made to federal law and regulations to more readily facilitate universal school meals.

Members: Rosie Krueger, State Director of Child Nutrition, Chair; Alyson Eastman, Vice Chair, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Agriculture; and Sean Brown, Commissioner, Department of Children and Families.

10:00 a.m. Call to Order /Roll Call/Amendments to Agenda

10:05 a.m. Review and Approve Minutes from September 22, 2021 Meeting

10:10 a.m. Opportunity for Public Comment

10:20 a.m. Universal Meals, federal program regulations, funding requirements – Rosie Krueger

10:40 a.m. Research into what other states’ work and work already conducted by AOE - Anne Bordonaro

11:00 a.m. Proposed next steps (10 minutes)

- **Schedule meeting to invite stakeholders**
- **Assign AOE to begin drafting legislative report and circulate for comments**

11:10 a.m. Adjourn