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Moolah for CLIMAX-SCOTTS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Food Service Nourishes Students

Dairy farmers partner with local school to increase access to nutrient-rich foods.

CLIMAX-SCOTTS, MI. [AUGUST 1, 2021] – C-S SCHOOL(s) Food Service Program recently received the *Moolah for Schools* grant from Michigan’s dairy farmers (United Dairy Industry of Michigan). Grant recipients receive equipment that will allow them to increase meal participation and dairy consumption, benefiting the health and wellness of students.

QUOTE FROM FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR – the staff and I are very happy about the grants we received. This year we will be getting a new milk cooling unit for the Elementary. This will save time for staff and keep the students milk nice and cold for breakfast and lunch. Last year the Jr/Sr. high was privileged to receive a Vitamix blender for smoothies. The students really enjoyed having smoothies for breakfast. A fruit smoothie and a cracker will give the student a complete breakfast for the day. We have been blessed to be able to get new items for both buildings to give the students what they need to succeed. We are very thankful to UDIM for supplying us with these new items, and the opportunity to update are kitchens.

“School meals are critical to student health and well-being,” says Melissa Gerharter, MS, RDN, CSSD, United Dairy Industry of Michigan. “Michigan’s dairy farmers are dedicated to supporting this National School Breakfast and Lunch Program and other nutrition initiatives. Providing resources and equipment to feed students a balanced meal is a priority.”

To learn more about the program, visit <https://www.milkmeansmore.org/moolah-for-schools/>

About the United Dairy Industry of Michigan

The United Dairy Industry of Michigan is the umbrella organization for the Dairy Council of Michigan and the American Dairy Association of Michigan. On behalf of Michigan’s dairy farm families, these non-profit organizations provide science-based nutrition information to, and in collaboration with, a variety of stakeholders committed to fostering a healthier society, including health professionals, educators, school nutrition directors, academia, industry, consumers and media. For more information, visit MilkMeansMore.org.