



School breakfast project possible for Williamsburg County thanks to grant

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Kingstree, S.C. – The Williamsburg County School District has been awarded a \$75,000.00 grant by the American Association of School Administrators for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. The support will allow the district to implement a school breakfast project in three high schools.

Williamsburg County School District will implement the "Grab and Go" Breakfast Model at three high schools: C. E. Murray High, Hemingway High, and Kingstree Senior High, according to a news release. District officials say the data in Williamsburg County indicates many of the students in the high schools are not eating breakfast, thus, having a lower Average Daily Participation (ADP) rate and are the least likely group of students to participate in a nutritious breakfast.

In order to close the ADP gap in Williamsburg County high schools, a district-wide campaign will be implemented.

The "Grab and Go" project helps the food service department achieve its mission by providing the funding that will enable WCSD's high schools to offer healthy breakfast alternatives during the 2015-2016 school year," said Interim Superintendent Carrie Brock. She further stated, "It is the mission of the school district, in collaboration with stakeholders that students receive a high quality education, and we know that students will not reach their fullest potential if they are undernourished."

Local residents can see how the AASA grant is benefiting the district by visiting us on the district's website at www.wcsd.k12.sc.us or by visiting our local high schools.

About AASA: AASA, the School Superintendents Association received funding from the Walmart Foundation to support alternative school breakfast serving methods, including in the classroom and "Grab and Go". AASA provides funding for infrastructure, marketing, communications and other needs around school breakfast implementation. AASA also provides in-depth technical assistance through mentors and inclusion in its school breakfast Community of Practice. The American Association of School Administrators is committed to the purpose of reducing childhood hunger by increasing participation in the school breakfast program. For more information, visit <http://aasa.org/schoolbreakfast.aspx>.



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