

## Comment on Proposed School Lunch and Breakfast Nutrition Requirements

*Deadline: April 13, 2011.*

On Thursday, January 13, 2011, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) proposed a rule to revise the meal patterns and nutrition requirements for the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program via [notice in the Federal Register](#) at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/governance/regulations/2011-01-13.pdf>. The proposed changes are based on recommendations from the National Academies' Institute of Medicine, and would increase the availability of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and fat-free and low-fat milk products. Additionally, the proposed changes reduce the levels of sodium and saturated fats found in school meals.

National PTA urges state and local PTAs to submit comments on the proposed rule for consideration to the USDA. All comments must be submitted on or before **April 13, 2011**.

To submit comments, visit the [Federal eRulemaking Portal](#) at <http://www.regulations.gov/#%21documentDetail;D=FNS-2007-0038-0001> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments.



The proposed nutrition requirements encourage healthier school breakfast and lunch programs.