



# ACTON-BOXBOROUGH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BY THE NUMBERS

# of Schools: **8**

Enrollment: **5, 099**

NFS Dollars Spent: **\$31, 446.00**

Number of Farmers Supported: **15**

## NEW MENU ITEMS

- Local Beef Burgers
- Fish Tacos
- Baked Fish
- Local Vegetable Sides

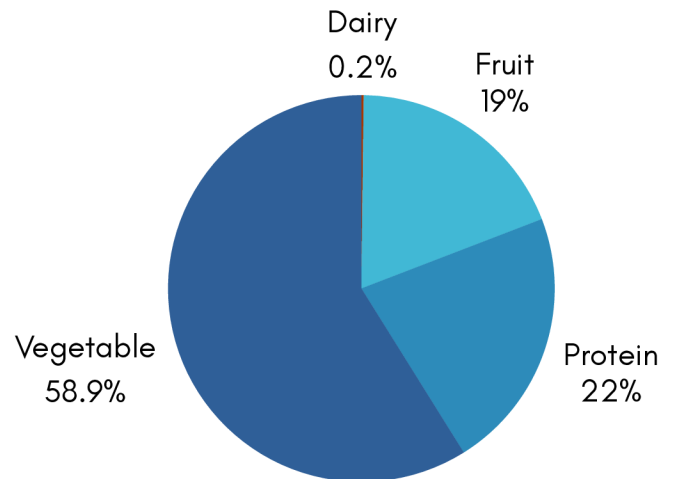
## FOOD HUBS USED

- Boston Food Hub
- Worcester Food Hub

## FOOD HUBS STREAMLINE OPERATIONS

By working with local food hubs, Acton-Boxborough benefits from simplified logistics. This arrangement has helped their district meet minimum delivery requirements and reduce the administrative burden of managing invoices and contracts. Overall, the "one stop shop" experience provided by local food hubs has made their procurement process more manageable. During the MA 2023 Healthy Kids, Healthy Programs Summit, Acton-Boxborough connected with the Boston Food Hub, at a local vendor showcase organized by Massachusetts Farm to School and funded by a USDA Farm to School Formula grant. Acton-Boxborough was pleased to learn that the Boston Food Hub was located just a few miles from their school district. They have enjoyed a successful partnership ever since. This serves as just one of many examples in which additional administrative investment has worked to elevate and amplify the impacts of the Northeast Food for School program for districts.

## Purchases by Product Category.



Utilizing the Northeast Food for Schools funding has enhanced our ability to provide nutritious meals to students and allowed us to expand our programs and create a more supportive learning environment. The investment in our school meals program is an investment in our students' future.

*-Kirsten Nelson, School Nutrition Director, Acton-Boxborough*