



## **Task Force on Universal School Lunch**

September 22, 2021, 1:00-1:45 p.m.

1 National Life Drive, Davis 5, Room 513

Montpelier, VT 05620-2501

# AGENDA

## **Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting**

**Call In: 1-802-828-7667**

**Conference ID: 453 627 756#**

*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:** Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education; Rosie Krueger, State Director of Child Nutrition; Sean Brown, Commissioner, Department of Children and Families; Alyson Eastman, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Agriculture.

**1:00 p.m.:** Call to Order /Amendments to Agenda/ Introduction of Members

**1:05 p.m.:** Review Charge(s) of Task Force (see above)

**Also:**

- The Task Force shall collaborate with Hunger Free Vermont, the School Nutrition Association of Vermont, the Vermont Superintendents Association, the Vermont School Boards Association, the Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators, the Vermont Principals’ Association, and the Vermont-National Education Association.
- On or before January 15, 2022, the Task Force shall submit a written report to the House and Senate Committees on Education and on Appropriations, the House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, and the Senate Committee on Agriculture with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action.

**1:15 p.m.:** Election of Task Force Chair and Vice Chair

**1:25 p.m.:** Opportunity for Public to be Heard

**1:35 p.m.:** Next Steps/ Next Meeting

**1:45 p.m.:** Adjourn