

National Farm to School Network Southeast



**CALL YOUR REPRESENTATIVE AND URGE
THEM TO CO-SPONSOR REPRESENTATIVE
HOLT'S**

"FARM TO SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS ACT"!

We need your help to gain Congressional support for
mandatory funding for Farm to School!

THIS WEEK Congressman [Rush Holt \(D-NJ\)](#) will be introducing the "Farm to School Improvements Act of 2010", legislation which will provide \$50 million in mandatory funding over the next five years to fund Farm to School Programs as part of the Child Nutrition Act Reauthorization. Gaining additional co-sponsors for this bill is critical to ensuring that it is included in the Child Nutrition Act. Please call or fax your Representative's office and ask them to co-sponsor.

It's easy to call. You can get your Representative's name and direct number by going to [Congress.org](#) and typing in your zip code.

You can also call the Capitol Switchboard, provide your Representative's name and be directly connected to their office: (202) 225-3121. Once connected to your Representative's office ask to speak to the aide that works on child nutrition.

The message is simple. "I am a constituent of _____ and I am calling to ask him/her to co-sponsor Representative Rush Holt's "Farm to School Improvements Act" which will provide \$50 million in

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mandatory funding for the Farm to School Programs as part of the Child Nutrition Act reauthorization."

The Farm to School Collaborative,

a cross-sector alliance of school, nutrition, rural, and sustainable agriculture groups and farmers, has been leading the campaign for mandatory funding for Farm to School programs in the upcoming Child Nutrition Act Reauthorization (CNR). Members of the Farm to School Collaborative include the [Community Food Security Coalition](#), [National Farm to School Network](#), [School Food FOCUS](#), [National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition](#) and the [Wallace Center at Winrock International](#).

For more background information on Farm to School programs and our campaign, [click here](#).

Questions? Please contact the CFSC Policy Office: 202-543-8602

Thank you for your help!

Community Food Security Coalition

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The Community Food Security Coalition (CFSC) is a non-profit 501(c)(3), North American organization dedicated to building strong, sustainable, local and regional food systems that ensure access to affordable, nutritious, and culturally appropriate food for all people at all times. We seek to develop self-reliance among all communities in obtaining their food and to create a system of growing, manufacturing, processing, making available, and selling food that is regionally based and grounded in the principles of justice, democracy, and sustainability.

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