



October 30, 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are happy to announce that Huron Academy was selected by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) to participate in the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP).

A fresh fruit or vegetable snack will be offered to your student 2 times per week, until the grant funds are depleted. These snacks will be served in the afternoon on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The goals of this grant program are to:

- Create healthier school environments by offering healthy choices.
- Expand the variety of fruits and vegetables children experience.
- Increase children's fruit and vegetable consumption.
- Make a difference in children's diets to impact their current and future health.

You can support your student's efforts to increase their fruit and vegetable consumption in several ways. For instance:

- Take your student grocery shopping and allow them to pick a new fruit or vegetable to try.
- Keep fruits and vegetables visible by placing a fruit basket on the kitchen counter.
- Set a positive example by regularly enjoying fruits and veggies yourself.
- Involve your student in meal planning by letting them choose which fruits and vegetables will be served in meals at home.
- Visit a local farmers' market to explore seasonal produce together.

If you have questions, please contact me at palmers@huronacademy.org or (586) 690-8180

Sincerely,

Silvana Palmer

Food Service Director

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