# SNP Memo #2023-2024-58


**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education**

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TO: Directors, Supervisors, and Contact Persons Addressed

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## SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2023 National School Lunch Program Equipment Grant Awards Announcement

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform school food authorities (SFAs) of the 2023 National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Equipment Grant awards. Based on criteria set forth in Director’s Memo #2023-2024-39, grant applications were scored and ranked using the information below:

* Improving food quality and increasing nutritious food choices
* Improving food safety
* Increasing the use of locally grown foods
* Increasing scratch cooking
* Increasing access to culturally inclusive meals
* Schools that did not receive a grant in the prior year were given priority

The $635,200 in equipment grant funds Virginia received will be awarded to 24 schools in 24 school divisions. The list of schools that will receive fiscal year 2023 Equipment Grant awards is Attachment A to this memo. School divisions will be contacted with detailed information on the process to accept the awards, purchase the equipment, and apply for reimbursement.

Questions about the equipment grants should be directed to the SCNP policy mailbox at [SNPpolicy@doe.virginia.gov](SNPpolicy%40doe.virginia.gov).

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### Attachments

1. Attachment: Fiscal Year 2023 Equipment Grant Awarded Schools Listing