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## Local and Regionally Grown Produce From DoD Fresh\*!

**The NH Dept of Administration and AT Siravo, your DoD Fresh produce distributor, are working with New England growers to supply schools with local and regionally grown produce.**

**NH schools receive regionally grown produce from Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Maine through the program.**

NH relies on AT Siravo to supply fresh produce for the DoD Fresh program. Amy O'Hara, your New Hampshire Department of Administration Federal Surplus Manager, selects two to three produce items on behalf of NH schools from the DoD Fresh catalog each month.

DoD Fresh produce is delivered to NH schools about once every three weeks along with the USDA commodities.

When local or regionally grown items are available to NH schools through DoD Fresh, the schools can view their allocation and see if their DoD Fresh produce is locally or regionally grown. Schools can request from Amy specific types of produce as well as request local or regional produce.

Amy can be contacted at 603-271-8601 or [Amy.O'Hara@NH.Gov](mailto:Amy.O'Hara@NH.Gov)

**DoD Fresh participants can purchase produce with Section 4 and 11 funds as well as use their commodity foods entitlement dollars to purchase more fresh produce through DoD Fresh. Eligible schools can use FFVP funds to order produce through DoD Fresh.**

Know of a New Hampshire farmer interested in supplying schools across the state? Have them contact Ed Andrews at AT Siravo to discuss participating in DoD Fresh! Participation depends on the quantity and size needs of the program, pricing and lead time each party requires as well as the farm meeting food safety standards. Keep in mind: DoD Fresh operates efficiently because they buy large quantities of produce to supply schools throughout New England. Growers must be able to supply large quantities of produce sufficient to fill orders from schools throughout the state.

NH Farms need to be GAP certified to sell through the program