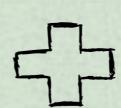


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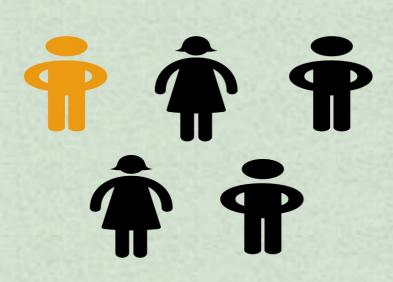








THE ISSUE



1 in 5 Canadian children lack access to a nutritious breakfast [1]



Without a healthy breakfast, there can be a direct negative impact on a student's academic performance, physical health, and social behaviour [2].

Farmers are the key connection to increase food security because locally grown produce is fresher, and contains a higher nutritional value [3].

To initiate relationships between schools affiliated with the **Breakfast Club of** Canada (BCC) and farmers across B.C.





Increase vulnerable students' access to healthful, and local fresh food at their school

WHY FARMERS SHOULD DONATE?



B.C. Farmers' Food Donation Tax Credit



Community Connection This tax credit incentivizes farmers to donate their food products, by ensuring that they receive 25% of fair market value for everything that they donate [4].

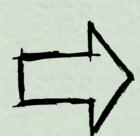
By donating, farmers are able to tangibly improve food security, support vulnerable children, and foster a connection with their local community.

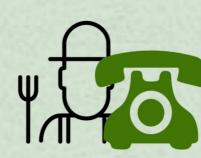
From January 16th to March 31st we....















Identifed schools affiliated with the BCC in B.C.

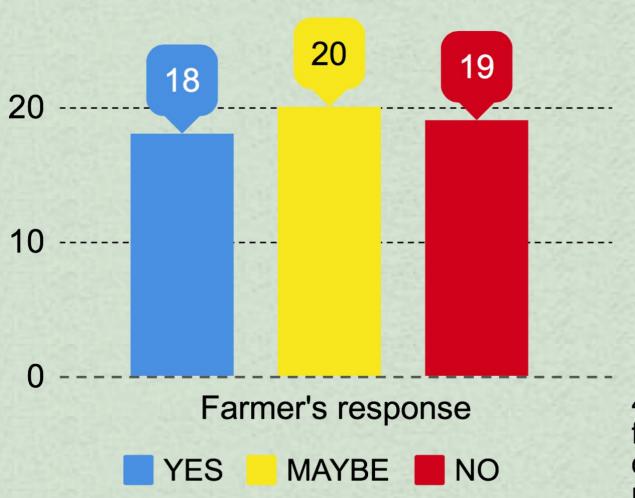
Located farms within 20 kilometres of these schools

Invited farmers to participate in the donation process

Tallied and analyzed the results

WHAT WE FOUND

Out of 113 farmers contacted...



49% of the farmers we contacted did not answer

TAKE HOME MESSAGE



- B.C. farmers are interested in connecting and engaging with their local community!
- The partnership between BCC schools and B.C. farmers is mutually beneficial - children will receive a healthy breakfast, and farmers will be financially acknowledged for their contribution through the B.C. Farmers' Food Donation Tax Credit.

Next step...

- Identify and remove barriers preventing more participation from B.C. farmers
- Acknowledge the farmers who are already participating in the initiative

CHECK OUT OUR BLOG FOR MORE INFO AT https://blogs.ubc.ca/breakfastclub

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