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Statement from Lucy Nolan, Policy Director for End Hunger CT! on the lack of action by the General Assembly on funding for school meals for all public school students.

"End Hunger Connecticut! and the School Meals for All CT coalition are disappointed that the General Assembly has not yet taken action to fund the continuance of no-cost meals for students in schools.

"Based on reports from school districts across the state, meal counts are down and meal accounts are in the red. Parents and people who work with students tell us that many students are simply not eating.

"While we understand the need to work through the legislative processes, the fact is students across the state are going hungry *today*.

"We have been very encouraged by the number of parents and advocates who have reached out to lawmakers, and the very positive response of so many lawmakers. We look forward to working with members in the coming weeks to find short- and long term solutions that will put food in the mouths of children."

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