

Dear members of the House Finance Committee,

My name is Danna Sanchez, I am a 10th grader at Rhode Island Nursing Institute and a youth at Young Voices, an afterschool program in Providence, RI. I am here today in support of H7793 which would provide free lunches and breakfast for all students throughout the phase of 3 years. This bill will help minimize the cost of the state maximizing the access to federal funds.

The bill is really important to me because personally when I don't eat well, I get in a bad mood. This affects my learning, taking this into consideration many kids experience this and some of these cannot afford to pay the lunch fees. This would affect their learning. Getting a nutritious meal is important to keep students focused and ready to learn. This bill will help all of those students that need the daily school school lunches. This bil will help our future.

We need to pass this bill because according to the healthy hunger free kids act improving academic performance is a great part of healthy eating. Many kids' only reliable lunches are school lunches. Being hungry affects the learning and behaviors of the students.

I urge you to pass H7793. This would benefit all of us students. This bill would help our future.

Thank you for your time

Danna

.