

# FIGHTING HUNGER IN BELLINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Student learning is our top priority. If students arrive to school hungry, or their overall nutritional needs are not being met, it is hard to focus on learning.

Our schools help alleviate this food insecurity in our families.

More than  
**1,100**  
meals were served to students during the February snow days from Shuksan Middle School or delivered to apartment complexes and mobile home parks.



**178**  
is the percent increase (net change percentage) in breakfast served at six Title 1 schools since May 2016 through the Breakfast in the Classroom program (623 meals in April 2016 to 1,734 meals in Jan. 2017 at 6 Title I schools).

On average, **85** dinners are served every Monday through Thursday evening at Shuksan Middle School. This is part of the after school dinner program where all children 18 and under in the community can eat for free.



In partnership with the Bellingham Food Bank,

**2** school food pantries are hosted at Alderwood and Cordata elementary schools.

**ALDERWOOD**  
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
Thursdays

**CORDATA**  
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
Tuesdays

All families welcome.

**1** overarching reason: Overcoming poverty and hunger as an obstacle to learning.

