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Summer Food Program Kicks Off with More than 250,000 Meals Planned during Summer Break

Fun. Exciting. Adventurous. These are three words Wake County children should use to describe their summer break. "Hungry" is not.

Wake County wants to ensure every child in the county has access to free meals when school is not in session. To make that possible, Wake County's Board of Commissioners joined local officials and community partners today in Cary to kick off the Summer Food Program, which runs through August.

"Starting today, we will serve free meals to children at nearly 150 sites countywide – a move that shows we are serious about ending food insecurity in Wake County," said Wake County Board of Commissioners Chair Jessica Holmes. "Our community partners are invaluable in helping us provide healthy, nutritious food to our most vulnerable residents over the summer break."

Residents can visit wakegov.com/summerfood or call (919) 250-1100 to find nearby summer food sites. Community

partners may choose to serve breakfast, lunch, dinner or any combination of the three meals. In addition to meals, each site will provide fun, engaging activities for the children.

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