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Mellissa Honeywood, Food Service Director
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Dear Ms. Honeywood:

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate your school district on being awarded the USDA "One in a Melon" award for your farm to school program.

Parents, teachers, community stakeholders, and students were invited to visit USDA's Farm to School Census website and nominate their favorite farm to school program to receive the award. According to the Farm to School Census, a total of 5,254 districts participate across the U.S. From that pool, 50 school districts received the "One in a Melon" award.

All over the country schools are redesigning their menus to incorporate local foods, digging up carrots and potatoes out of school gardens, and visiting farms to learn more about agriculture. The "One in a Melon" winners are those with exemplary farm to school programs, like Cambridge Public Schools.

In recognition of this accomplishment, I am pleased to enclose a "One in a Melon" certificate for you to display. Please express my congratulations to your staff, as well as to the administration at the Cambridge School District for their great initiative and hard work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kurt Messner".

Kurt Messner
Regional Administrator
Northeast Region

Enclosure