



2017

More than 31 million children participate in the National School Lunch Program everyday across America. The participation in this program can help shape the food choices of the children who participate for years to come. ARDHS-NSLP would like to thank each one of you for your continuous dedication to the children of Arkansas.

November is a time of celebration and giving thanks. Please use this month to celebrate the good work each of you are doing for the children in Arkansas. Please send us any stories or pictures of how your facility enjoyed a Thanksgiving celebration.

The USDA would like to remind participants that during the hustle and excitement of the holidays, food safety is always important. Please follow the link below for helpful information on food safety.

<https://healthymeals.fns.usda.gov/features-month/november/thanksgiving>

Recap of Farm to School

October was Farm to School Month. This October we highlighted The Division of Youth Services- Mansfield Facility. The National School Lunch Program would love to highlight other programs that celebrate Farm to School or other Healthy Food Campaigns. Please share your stories and/or photos with the NSLP. Maybe we can highlight you in our monthly newsletter.

Below are some pictures taken on October 19, 2017 in Mansfield, AR.

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**November 5
Daylight Savings**

**November 11
Veterans Day**

**November 23
Thanksgiving Day**

**November 15
Verification Due**



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Mr. Robert Gage (local gardener) discussing the positive impact of growing your own sustainable foods.