

Public Private Partnerships in the SchoolFood Plus Initiative - dynamics, achievements, innovation

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What is SchoolFood Plus?

A collaborative, multi-

agency effort funded by

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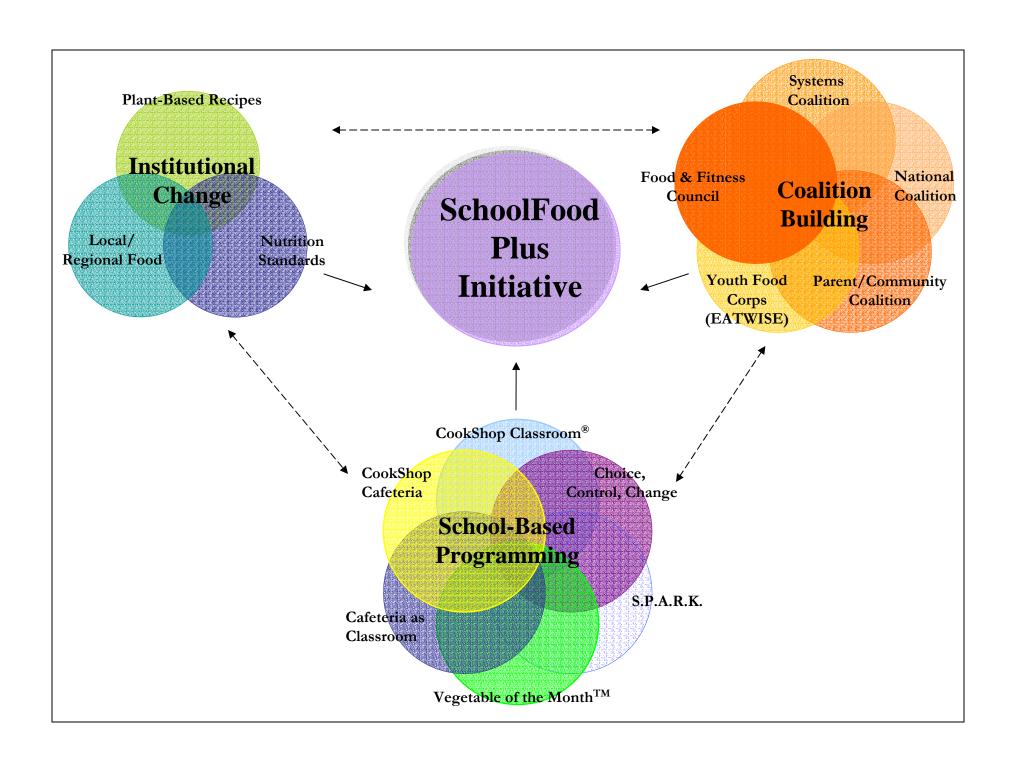
Foundation and the

United States Department

of Agriculture.

GOAL: To improve the eating habits, health and academic performance of New York City public schoolchildren while strengthening the New York State agricultural economy.





Who are the Players?

5 PRIMARY PARTNERS

FoodChange (managing partner),

New York City Department of Education Office of SchoolFood

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, and

Teachers College, Columbia University.



FOOD CHANGE

Program manager

Funding facilitator

Operates Cookshop Classroom

Funds 2 SFP chefs

Assists with cook training

Runs the 3 coalitions

Evaluation



NYC OFFICE OF SCHOOL FOOD

860,000 + meals per day

1,200 cafeterias

8,000 employees

Culinary Concepts – recipes and menu development & execution

Food "technology"

Nutritional standards

Food & supply procurement



NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

District Health Offices & School Nurses

Nutrition/Health Initiatives (e.g. Milk policy)

City-wide Policy Issues

SPARK (fitness component)



NYS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS

Support and development of agriculture sector

"Farm to City" activities, initiatives, programs

State-wide Policy Issues

Local Procurement for SFP



TEACHERS COLLEGE OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Curricula development

- Cookshop Classroom
- LIFE
- C3

Nutrition research

Theory and methodology

Publishing



How the partnerships work

Sphere of influence

Core concerns

Key competencies

Hierarchies, priorities

Inter-agency Dynamics

Gaps



Moving Forward

- Build on success strategies
- Identify new opportunities that are a result of successful partnerships—programmatic, funding, advocacy
- Build new alliances with complementary resources
- Open communication—offset potential conflict
- Acknowledge success

