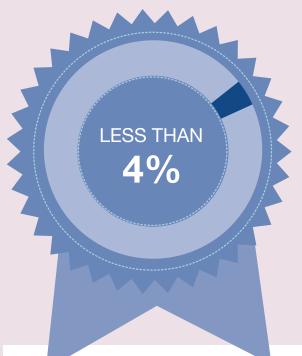


Schools are doing a great job ensuring that kids are served safe meals!



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FOOD SAFETY IN SCHOOLS

When foodborne outbreaks do occur in schools, illnesses are most often associated with norovirus.

Targeting Norovirus

of foodborne illnesses associated with outbreaks in schools are caused by norovirus, a very contagious stomach illness that can make you sick with diarrhea, throwing up, and stomach pain. Sick food handlers can easily contaminate food.



Three key practices can help prevent the spread of norovirus by food handlers. Stay home when sick

Wash your hands

Avoid touching food with your bare hands The USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Office of Food Safety

is committed to arming school nutrition professionals with the tools they need to prevent and control norovirus outbreaks.

MORE THAN 100,000

copies of The Stomach Bug Book a FREE resource that explains what school employees need to know about stomach illnesses - have been distributed to schools across the country. ¡También en español!



More than school nutrition professionals have been trained in norovirus prevention and control. FREE resources are available at: www.theicn.org/norovirus