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# H. R. 1886

To amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to establish a grant program to appoint nutrition coordinators to oversee local school nutrition policies in local educational agencies, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 26, 2019

Mr. RYAN (for himself and Mr. RASKIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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## A BILL

To amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to establish a grant program to appoint nutrition coordinators to oversee local school nutrition policies in local educational agencies, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Nutrition Coordinators  
5 for Local Healthy Youth Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM FOR NUTRITION COORDINATORS.**

7 Section 19 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42  
8 U.S.C. 1788) is amended—

1           (1) by redesignating subsection (l) as subsection  
2           (m); and

3           (2) by inserting after subsection (k) the fol-  
4           lowing new subsection:

5           “(1) GRANT PROGRAM FOR NUTRITION COORDINA-  
6           TORS.—

7           “(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF GRANT PROGRAM.—

8           The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of  
9           Education, shall establish a program to make grants  
10          to local educational agencies to appoint nutrition co-  
11          ordinators to carry out the activities described in  
12          paragraph (4).

13          “(2) APPLICATION.—To be selected to receive a  
14          grant under paragraph (1), a local educational agen-  
15          cy, in consultation with the State agency that ad-  
16          ministers school lunch programs in the geographic  
17          area served by such local educational agency, shall  
18          submit an application at such time, in such manner,  
19          and containing such information as the Secretary  
20          may require.

21          “(3) USE OF FUNDS.—A local educational  
22          agency that receives a grant under this subsection  
23          shall use such funds to appoint a nutrition coordi-  
24          nator to, with respect to the geographic area served  
25          by such agency—

1           “(A) ensure compliance with local school  
2           wellness policies under section 9A of the Rich-  
3           ard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42  
4           U.S.C. 1758b);

5           “(B) coordinate nutrition education pro-  
6           grams with school food service directors for  
7           such local educational agency;

8           “(C) conduct trainings and facilitate infor-  
9           mation sharing of best practices that—

10           “(i) encourage students to participate  
11           in healthy eating and active living;

12           “(ii) are consistent with the Dietary  
13           Guidelines for Americans published under  
14           section 301 of the National Nutrition Mon-  
15           itoring and Related Research Act of 1990  
16           (7 U.S.C. 5341); and

17           “(iii) are consistent with the Physical  
18           Activity Guidelines for Americans pub-  
19           lished by the Office of Disease Prevention  
20           and Health Promotion of the Department  
21           of Health and Human Services;

22           “(D) work with programs that promote  
23           and motivate students to participate in school  
24           wellness activities;

1 “(E) coordinate and collaborate with other  
2 nutrition education programs, including—

3 “(i) programs under the Supplemental  
4 Nutrition Assistance Program under the  
5 Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C.  
6 2011 et seq.);

7 “(ii) cooperative extension services (as  
8 such term is defined in section 1404 of the  
9 Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 (7  
10 U.S.C. 3103));

11 “(iii) nutrition education programs  
12 carried out by community-based organiza-  
13 tions; and

14 “(iv) other team network nutrition  
15 programs;

16 “(F) provide community outreach to pro-  
17 mote nutrient-rich foods and farm-to-school ac-  
18 tivities;

19 “(G) promote regular physical activity in  
20 students before, during, and after school;

21 “(H) ensure students receive effective and  
22 consistent messages regarding healthy eating  
23 and active living; and

24 “(I) to promote nutrition education and  
25 team network nutrition programs in the State

1 in which such local educational agency is lo-  
2 cated, coordinate and collaborate with—

3 “(i) the team nutrition network coor-  
4 dinator for the State; and

5 “(ii) community partners.

6 “(4) NUTRITION COORDINATOR REQUIRE-  
7 MENTS.—A nutrition coordinator may not be ap-  
8 pointed under this subsection unless the Coordinator  
9 has a background in nutrition education, dietetics,  
10 or nutrition program management.

11 “(5) NUTRITION COORDINATOR REPORTS.—Not  
12 later than 1 year after the date on which a nutrition  
13 coordinator is appointed under this subsection, the  
14 nutrition coordinator shall submit to the Secretary a  
15 report that includes—

16 “(A) a plan to implement activities under  
17 this section; and

18 “(B) a review of, and plan for, coordina-  
19 tion and collaboration with nutrition education  
20 programs described in paragraph (4)(E).

21 “(6) EVALUATION OF GRANT PROGRAM.—Not  
22 later than January 1, 2021, the Secretary shall sub-  
23 mit a report to Congress that includes—

1           “(A) the results of an evaluation of the  
2           grant program established under this sub-  
3           section;

4           “(B) a review of the implementation of this  
5           subsection;

6           “(C) an assessment of local educational  
7           agencies with respect to activities conducted to  
8           ensure students receive nutrition education con-  
9           sistent with the Dietary Guidelines for Ameri-  
10          cans published under section 301 of the Na-  
11          tional Nutrition Monitoring and Related Re-  
12          search Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5341);

13          “(D) best practices for encouraging stu-  
14          dents to participate in healthy eating and active  
15          living;

16          “(E) an assessment of local school wellness  
17          policies under section 9A of the Richard B.  
18          Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C.  
19          1758b); and

20          “(F) an assessment of school personnel  
21          and their level of interaction and satisfaction  
22          with nutrition coordinators.”.

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