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PROGRAM

NATIONAL SCHOOL FOOD SUMMIT

4TH MAY 2026

8:15 - 9am	**REGISTRATION**	
9am	**Summit Welcome :** Kirsty Grierson - *Executive Officer - School Food Matters* **Summit Opening :** TBA	
9:15 - 10am	**Keynote Address : The Need for a School Lunch Program that Impacts Positively on Student Learning, Health and Wellbeing** Julie Dunbabin - *Senior Australian of the Year Award for Tasmania, Churchill Fellow 2018, Founder and Ambassador School Lunch Program Tasmania*	
10 - 10:30am	**FOCIS National Consensus Statement 2025 - Translating Insight Into Action :** Leanne Elliston APD - *Chief Executive Officer - Nutrition Australia ACT, Honorary Chairperson - FOCIS* **School Food Future - Building the Case for Action :** Facilitator - Dr Erica Reeve - *Research Fellow, Deakin University* • Voices of the Room • Introduction of Delegate Digital Dialogue	
10:30 - 11am	**Morning Tea / Networking**	
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS	
	School Food Service Operations / Service Models	**National Network Research & Projects**
11 - 11:40am	**Allergies - Best Practice in Schools :** Ingrid Roche APD - *Senior Project Officer - National Allergy Council* 15 minutes	***Evidence for the Potential of School Meals*** **Presentation 1a:** Menzies Institute for Medical Research, TAS **Presentation 1b:** Professor Rebecca Golley - Flinders University **Presentation 1c:** *Healthy Plates, Healthy Food Systems - why we should embed sustainable food procurement in school meals* : Leah Galvin **Presentation 1d:** *Integrating Social Aims into Lunch Programs* : Kripi Khana (PhD)
	Allergies Management in Practice Through the School Lunch Program : School Food Matters 25 minutes	

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11:40 - 12:30	**Workshop : Applying Allergy Management in Practice :** Ingrid Roche	***Stakeholder Insights Into School Meal Models*** **Presentation 2a:** *Feed every kid. Everyone wins when kids are fed : public discourses about school provided meals in Australia* : Danielle Gallegos - Queensland University of Technology **Presentation 2b:** *Teacher Perceptions of a Universal School-Provided Lunch Program* : Jessica Kempler - Deakin University **Presentation 2c:** *Kids Co-Designing Healthy Places and Minecraft Project* : Deana Leahy - Monash University **Presentation 2d:** *Exploring Australian Parent Preferences for a School-Provided Meal Offering Using a Discrete Choice Experiment* : Alexandra Manson - Flinders University **Presentation 2e:** *Parents Perceptions of School Canteens and School Meals* : Katherine Kent - University of Wollongong
12:30 - 1:15pm	**Lunch / Networking**	
	School Food Service Operations / Service Models	**National Network Research & Projects**
1:15 - 1:40pm	***Equity and Access - Breakfast Clubs*** **Presentation 3a:** *Breakfast Clubs in WA* **:** Jenny Tartaglia - Foodbank WA **Presentation 3b:** *Breakfast Clubs in Tasmania*	***School Meal Models, Implications and Recommendations*** **Presentation 4a:** *School Lunch Program in TAS* : School Food Matters and Community Dietitian Public Health Services - Department of Health. **Presentation 4b:** *What's for Lunch? A pilot lunch program supporting equity in a NSW primary school* : Rosi Johnston - Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District **Presentation 4c:** *Eat Up Australia* : Lyndon Galea - Founder
1:45 - 2:10pm	***Sustainable & Circular Food Systems*** ***- Strengthening local food systems through school based initiatives*** **Presentation 5a:** *Foodies - eat local, food systems, connecting workforce* : Peter Cooksley - School Food Matters **Presentation 5b :** *Kitchen Garden Programs* : Rob Rees - Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation **Presentation 5c :** *24 Carrot Gardens Program* : Material Institute - TAS	***Collaboration in Action - Local and Regional Partnerships*** **Presentation 6a:** Loaves & Fishes Tasmania **Presentation 6b:** *Community-Led Solutions for School Food Security and Nutrition Education* : Kathryn Taylor - EON Aboriginal Foundation

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2:15 - 3pm	**Evolution of Food in Schools** **Presentation 7a:** *Thriving, Not Just Surviving: Reimagining School Canteens in a Changing Australian School Food System* : Megan Maxwell - Foodcore **Presentation 7b:** *Can Breakfast Club, School Lunch Program, and Canteen all work successfully in a school?* : School Food Service Manager - Tasmania **Presentation 7c:** *Centralised Procurement Linking to the School Lunch Program in Tasmania* : Loaves & Fishes Tasmania **Presentation 7d:** *What Could Be the Future of Food in Schools?* : Professor Rebecca Golley / Dr Erica Reeve **Presentation 7e:** *Pricing structures for school meals programs: reflections on the US tiered and means-tested approach (free/subsidised/full fee)* : Dr Liesel Spencer, College of Law, Central Queensland University
3 - 3:15pm	**Short Break**
3:15 - 4:30pm	**School Food Future: Building the Case for Action :** Facilitated by Leanne Elliston and Dr Erica Reeve • Collective insights from the Delegate Digital Dialogue • Panel discussion and establishment of School Food Summit Communique
4:30 - 4:45pm	**Conference Closing**

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