

Douglas County

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Mayor Mike Amyx City Hall 6 East 6th Street PO Box 708 Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mayor Amyx,

The 2016 school year is drawing to a close, meaning summer is quickly approaching. Every summer in Douglas County, K-State Research & Extension-Douglas County and the Lawrence Public Schools in conjunction with an array of community agencies, sponsors the Summer Food Program. Beginning June 6 – August 5, any child 1-18 years old can visit one of seven sites throughout Lawrence for a free breakfast and lunch. In 2015, 50,181 meals were served to youth in the Lawrence community and we want to continue to grow this number every year.

One site we are particularly excited about again is the Lawrence Public Library on 707 Vermont Street. With the high visibility, high traffic area and located adjacent to the public swimming pool we believe this to be a very accessible site for many youth, including preteens and teens, in Lawrence. To bring additional awareness and foot traffic to this site, we are proposing to place two banners, 2 foot by 4 foot in size on both Kentucky Street and Vermont Street, by the library. Both streets in front of the libraries, have grass easements, that the banners could be securely staked. To raise the most awareness, we would like to place the banners on the sites beginning Tuesday, May 31 until at least until Friday, June 24.

The addition of these banners in key locations on Kentucky and Vermont Street will bring additional awareness of the Summer Food Program, as well as the other six sites in Lawrence that offer the program. The banners placement, will not impede pedestrians walking on the side walk or impair any vehicles for traffic safety purposes.

I appreciate your support of the Summer Food Program in Lawrence, Kansas and helping our youth *Fuel Up 4 Summer*. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Dylan Admire at K-State Research & Extension at dadmire@ksu.edu or by phone at (785) 843-7058.

Sincerely,

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