

## OBJECTIVES AND AGENDA 2024 GLOBAL CHILD NUTRITION FORUM

(As of 9 September 2024)

Please note the agenda will continue to be updated. Please check the [forum webpage](#) for the latest.



### **THEME: School Meal Programs in an Era of Food Systems Transformation**

The objectives of the 2024 Global Child Nutrition Forum in Osaka, Japan are to:

- Serve as a key platform for governments and their partners to learn, exchange experiences, and gain inspiration for building, maintaining, and expanding high quality school meal programs.
- Highlight results of the Global Survey of School Meal Programs and other research, trends, and innovations relevant to school meal programs.
- Showcase Japan's local, national, and international experiences with school meal programs and serve as an official pre-event to the 2025 Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD).
- Collectively develop key messages reflecting participant priorities to guide advocacy efforts over the coming year.
- Support the objectives of the School Meals Coalition (SMC) and Nutrition for Growth (N4G).

The Forum is offered in cooperation with the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; and International Child Nutrition Japan.

**MONDAY DECEMBER 9**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Pre-08:00	Breakfast at hotels and arrival at Osaka International Convention Center
08:00 – 9:30	Check-in: Pick up name badge and welcome bag
9:30 - 10:45	Plenary: Opening Ceremony of the 2024 Global Child Nutrition Forum
10:45 – 11:45	Plenary: Announcement of government delegations and partners; Forum orientation
11:45 - 12:15	Group Photo
12:15 - 13:45	Lunch
13:45- 14:45	Plenary: School Meal Programs in an Era of Food Systems Transformation
14:45 - 15:00	Lightning Round (3 four-minute presentations of key research/activities)
15:00- 15:30	Break
15:30 - 17:30	Workshop: Food and Nutrition Education w/ FAO & UNICEF Workshop: Island Nations and School Meals: Innovations and Opportunities Workshop: McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program w/US Department of Agriculture
17:30- 19:00	Welcome reception featuring exhibitors and research posters.
19:00 –	Open evening. Dinner arrangements offered.

## TUESDAY DECEMBER 10

Time	Activity
Pre-08:00	Breakfast at hotels and arrival at Osaka International Convention Center
08:00 - 08:15	Announcements and Communique
08:15 - 09:15	Plenary: School Meals Around the World: Global Survey of School Meal Programs
09:15 - 9:45	Plenary: Special topic
9:45 - 10:00	Lightning Round (3 four-minute presentations)
10:00 - 10:30	Break
10:30 - 12:30	Workshop: Nutrition Education/Japan – Shokuiku Workshop: McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program with US Department of Agriculture Workshop: Kitchens: Centralized and school-based
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:00	Plenary: Regional School Meal Program Updates
15:00 - 15:15	Lightning Round (3 four-minute presentations)
15:15 - 15:30	Break
15:30 - 17:30	Workshop: Creating demand for climate-smart, nutritious foods through home-grown school meal programs Workshop: Using data/your survey results Workshop: Nutrition Education/Japan – Shokuiku
17:30 -	Free evening. Dinner arrangements offered.

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11**

Time	Activity
Pre-08:00	Breakfast at hotels and arrival at Osaka International Convention Center
08:00 - 08:15	Announcements & Communique
08:15 - 09:00	Plenary: Domestic Financing— What we are learning
09:00 - 10:00	Plenary: Sustaining Programs into the Future
10:00 - 10:30	Break
10:30 - 12:30	Workshop: Local purchasing to create demand for climate-smart, nutritious foods Workshop: Using data/your survey results Workshop: Using fortified whole grains & clean cooking Workshop: local-regional procurement (LRP)
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:00	Plenary: Initiatives Making a Difference
15:00 - 15:30	Communique review
15:30 - 16:00	Break
16:00–18:00	Workshop: Fortification: Large-scale Optional: Workshop: Fortification: Small-scale Optional: Workshop: Private Sector Engagement Workshop: How school meal programs impact women’s labor
18:00 -	Free evening; Dinner arrangements offered.

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 12**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Pre-08:00	Breakfast at hotel and arrival at Osaka International Convention Center
08:00 - 09:30	Plenary: Japan's School Meals: Past and present (includes site visit orientation)
09:30 - 13:45	Site Visits: Spend a half day seeing local Japanese school meal activities in action
13:45 - 14:00	Bento box & tea break
14:00 - 15:00	Plenary: Site Visit Debrief: Exchange learnings
15:00 - 15:15	Plenary: Ratification of the Communique
15:15- 16:00	Plenary: Official Closing Ceremony of the 2024 Global Child Nutrition Forum
16:00- 18:30	Hotel time to refresh and prepare for gala dinner
18:30–	Gala Dinner and Celebration (different Osaka location)

**DEPARTURES SHOULD BE SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 13**