Dear Teacher,
June is Dairy Month, and the cafeteria is celebrating! Did you know that each dairy cow eats about 100 pounds of food and drinks 50 gallons of water each day? All that food and water helps the cow make between 6 and 7 gallons of milk a day. [[1]](#footnote-1) The [name of town] Child Nutrition Program is hosting a **How Many Cows?** promotion. Next month your school cafeteria will be tracking the amount of milk it serves to students. Each time we go through another 6.5 gallons of milk, a cow will be placed on the cafeteria wall. The cows will be updated weekly, so students can track the activity of all the busy bovines!

**How Many Cows?
June Dairy Month**

With all this activity happening in the cafeteria, we thought you might want to get in on the action. I’ve included some websites with dairy agriculture education information below. If you would like more information or posters and handouts for your classroom please contact me in the [Name of Town] Child Nutrition office.

New England Dairy & Food Council (From Dairy Farm to You)
<http://www.newenglanddairycouncil.org/page/from-dairy-farm-to-you>

Dairy Farming Information
[www.dairyfarmingtoday.org](http://www.dairyfarmingtoday.org)

Agriculture in the Classroom education
[www.agclassroom.org](http://www.agclassroom.org)

[Name of State] Department of Agriculture (delete those that are not your state & this statement)
[www.ct.gov/doag](http://www.ct.gov/doag)
[www.agriculture.nh.gov](http://www.agriculture.nh.gov)
[www.mass.gov/agr](http://www.mass.gov/agr)
[www.dem.ri.gov](http://www.dem.ri.gov)
[www.vermontagriculture.com](http://www.vermontagriculture.com)

Cooperative Extension Systems Offices
[www.csrees.usda.gov/Extension](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/Extension)

Sincerely,
[Name]
[Title]
[Phone Number]

1. <http://www.umpquadairy.com/page/cool-cow-facts> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)