Department of Philosophy

Colloquium Series

Justice in the Cafeteria

Thursday, September 14 4-6 p.m.





Ellis Hall Room 226

Rachel Fredericks and Jeremy Fischer (Independent Scholars)



School meal reform efforts generally center around health, financial accessibility, and environmental sustainability, all of which are important. However, key ethical and political aspects of school meal programs have not received adequate attention in public discussion. We argue that whether school meal programs provide animal-based foods is a matter of justice for kids and for the society in which they live. Our child-centered arguments against providing such foods offer animal advocates and others who have a stake in the school meal debates a motivationally potent resource for their advocacy—without presupposing any particular view about our duties to animals.

Everyone Welcome!

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