

NY State PTA proposal to ban GMOs from lunches sends wrong message to low-income parents

The New York State Parent Teacher Association (PTA) has proposed a measure that will require all New York state schools to serve meals free of genetically modified ingredients (or GMOs).

While I applaud parents for taking more interest in their children's nutritional development ... the bad information being promoted by these parents and endorsed by the state's PTA is ... potentially harmful to families—particularly those with modest incomes.

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...[T]hese resolutions, if adopted, will have significant costs. First, it will mean higher costs to New York's school lunch program.... Second, it will send a ... thoroughly false message to poor parents that non-GMO food is healthier....

In fact, a [new study](#) ... showed this precise situation is happening.... According to the research, fear-based food tactics used by ... activists and some organic food companies create so much worry about affordable produce that some consumers—specifically, the poor—are actually choosing not to buy these healthier items....

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...As a respected community organization, the PTA owes it to all parents to provide and follow science- and evidence-based information....

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