





## TEACHER NOTES

## Pizza for Lunch

## **Recommendations for Lesson:**

Before presenting this persuasive writing prompt to students, you may choose to have a class discussion to present both sides of the issue.

Arguments in favor of serving pizza in school cafeterias might include:

- Pizza offers balanced nutrition, including dairy (cheese), protein (pepperoni), fruit (tomato sauce).
- Many kids enjoy pizza. They'll be more likely to eat their lunch.



 students could be ottered nealthler options instead, such as vegetable platters, salads, or healthy sandwiches.

• When students get used to eating healthy foods at school, they will choose healthy options throughout their lives.

When writing their persuasive essays, students should be encouraged to include a topic sentence (or topic paragraph) stating their opinion, followed by persuasive details to support their point of view. Writers can also acknowledge the opinions of those who might have a different view, and follow up with an argument to make their case.