



## Summer Food Service Program



## Bulletin

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### USDA Policy Memos, Information & Implementation Memos:

1. SFSP18-2016 – Meal Service During Unanticipated School and Day Care Closures

To view previous USDA policy memos, visit:

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/policy>

### Additional Topics:

- Certified Food Protection Manager's Training
- Action of the Month: Evaluate Summer Meals
- No Kid Hungry Webinar Follow-Up: Averaged Eligibility Map
- Upcoming Webinars & Conference Calls

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**Program changes as a result of USDA Policy Memos are to be implemented immediately. Please file this bulletin for reference, guidance and compliance with the Summer Food Service Program. Feel free to call the Child Nutrition Programs office if you need further clarification.**

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1. SFSP-18 ***Meal Service During Unanticipated School and Day Care Closures***  
The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify that meals may be served through the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) or the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Seamless Summer Option (SSO) during unanticipated school closures, including snow days, during the regular school year. For more detailed guidance regarding the operation of Child Nutrition Programs during emergency situations, see SP 46-2014, CACFP 12-2014, SFSP 18-2014, *Disaster Response*, May 19, 2014, <http://www.fns.usda.gov/disaster-responsoe-0>.

### Additional Topics

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- **Certified Food Protection Manager's Training**  
All child nutrition programs must have at least one staff on site with their Certification in Food Protection Management (CFPM). There is an upcoming training on **October 4, 2016** through the UAF Cooperative Extension Service. This training is available via videoconference at eight locations statewide. **Registration is due September 20<sup>th</sup>**, see attached flyer.

- **Action of the Month: Evaluate Summer Meals**

Fall is the perfect time to debrief with partners on what worked and what didn't at summer meal sites this year. Convening stakeholders early to discuss the challenges faced during the summer, celebrate successes, and identify opportunities for growth is an important step in increasing participation next year. These meetings can also be a great opportunity to discuss the Afterschool Meal Program and ways for sponsors and sites to transition to serving nutritious meals year-round. State agencies, providers, and anti-hunger advocates all have a role to play in this process.

For more ideas on evaluating the Summer Nutrition Programs, check out [FRAC's Summer Nutrition Programs Implementation Calendars and Guide](#). [Contact FRAC](#) for tips and sample agendas for debrief meetings.

- **No Kid Hungry Webinar Follow-Up: Averaged Eligibility Map**

For those unable to attend the webinar on August 24<sup>th</sup>, this is a great tool for SFSP sponsors who are looking for eligibility information using census data in areas where it is possible to use the average free and reduced-price eligibility of two or more census block groups. [Click here to access the "Averaged Eligibility Map 2016."](#) Attached is the User's Guide or you can find it [here](#).

- **Upcoming SFSP Webinars & Conference Calls**

- USDA – How to use Data in the CACFP and SFSP, **Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00AM AST**  
Please join the FNS National Office as they give demonstrations of the suite of mapping (GIS) tools built for both SFSP and CACFP participants, operators, partners and State agencies. Webinar participants will also learn how to access these tools and data as well as be given strategies for analyzing these data. This session will include the lessons learned about development of the tools and time for questions.

To participate in the webinar on Thursday, October 13, 2016: Please click on the link below a few minutes prior to the scheduled start of the webinar and follow the instructions (you may have to download a program to access the webinar):

<https://cc.readytalk.com/r/g54jvf1zxa5v&eom>

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## Commonly Used Acronyms

SFSP – Summer Food Service Program  
CNP – Child Nutrition Programs  
WRO – Western Region Office  
FNS – Food & Nutrition Services  
FNSRO-Food & Nut. Services Reg. Office  
USDA – U.S. Department of Agriculture  
EED – Education & Early Development  
DEC – Department of Conservation  
LEA – Local Education Agency



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