

MEET UP and EAT UP™

Summer Food Service Program

Upcoming Events

Click the links for more information and registration.

2019 SFSP Training:

March 19: [Lansing](#)¹

March 27*: [Grand Rapids](#)²

April 2: [Flint](#)³

April 3: [Lansing](#)⁴

April 9*: [Wayne](#)⁵

April 11: [Kalamazoo](#)⁶

April 16*: [Flint](#)⁷

April 18: [Macomb](#)⁸

April 23: [Lansing](#)⁹

April 30: [Traverse City](#)¹⁰

May 2: [Marquette](#)¹¹

May 7: [Grand Rapids](#)¹²

May 15: [Detroit](#)¹³

May 29: [Lansing](#)¹⁴

* **Revised**

Conference Call and Webinar:

[MARCH 2019 Summer Meals Matter Conference Call](#)¹⁵

Thursday, March 7, 2019
1:00 PM EST
FRAC

[Innovations to Expand Access to Summer Meals in Hard-to-Reach Communities](#)¹⁶

Thursday, March 28, 2019
2:00-3:00 PM EDT
No Kid Hungry Webinar

Summer Food Service Program Training

Sponsors must attend an MDE sponsored Summer Food Service Program training at least once every three years. That means if you have not attended in the last 2 years, you must come this year. It is a best practice to come to training every year! Trainings are a terrific opportunity to talk with other sponsors and learn new tips and best practices.

Updates!

- ❖ 2019 forms are available on the [SFSP website](#)¹⁷
- ❖ The 2019 SFSP MEGS+ application is now open and due no later than May 1, 2019.
- ❖ [2019 SFSP Reimbursement Rates](#)¹⁸

Emergency Closure SFSP Information

In the event of an unanticipated school closure (extremely cold temperatures, snow day, water main breaks, frozen pipes, etc.) sponsors may participate in Emergency Closure SFSP. Sponsors that have participated in the SFSP within the past 2 years are eligible to participate in Emergency Closure SFSP. Site eligibility remains the same as traditional SFSP. Visit [Emergency Closure SFSP Information](#)¹⁹ to follow the steps sponsors need to take to participate in Emergency Closure SFSP.

Did you know?

USDA has a Flickr website filled with images of USDA programs, clients, and food that you can use!

USDA photographers are continuously capturing the great work of Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) programs. New albums have been added that highlight some of the great food assistance work happening around the country. There are a lot of photos of school meals, farmers markets, and other food images. Check out the [USDA Flickr here](#)²⁰!



Contact SFSP!
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February/March Checklist:

- ✓ Begin looking at last year's sites. Will they be sites this summer?
 - Send thank you notes and invite them to take part again this year.
- ✓ Start planning outreach and promotion for Meet Up and Eat Up sites.
 - Plan goals for each month leading up to the start of your program and into the summer.
- ✓ Confirm Sites.
 - Confirm as many sites as possible and obtain site agreements.
- ✓ Renew or Rebid?
 - Contact MDE ASAP if you have a vended meal contract and haven't yet renewed or rebid.

Full Hyperlinks and References

The complete links are helpful for screen readers and printing.

¹<https://sfspplanningmarch19.eventbrite.com>

²<https://sfspgrandrapidsmarch27.eventbrite.com>

³<https://sfspflinthalfdayapril2.eventbrite.com>

⁴<https://sfspplanningapril3.eventbrite.com>

⁵<https://sfspinksterapril9.eventbrite.com>

⁶<https://sfspkzooportageapril11.eventbrite.com/>

⁷<https://sfspflintapril16.eventbrite.com/>

⁸<https://sfspmacombapril18.eventbrite.com/>

⁹<https://sfspplanninghalfdayapril23.eventbrite.com>

¹⁰<https://sfsptraversecityapril30.eventbrite.com>

¹¹<https://sfspmarquettemay2.eventbrite.com>

¹²<https://sfspgrandrapidshalfdaymay7.eventbrite.com>

¹³<https://sfspdetroitmay15.eventbrite.com>

¹⁴<https://sfspplanningmiworksmay29.eventbrite.com/>

¹⁵<https://frac.salsalabs.org/may2018afterschoolmealsmatterconferencecallcopy1copy4/index.html>

¹⁶<https://bestpractices.nokidhungry.org/webinars/innovations-expand-access-summer-meals-hard-reach-communities>

¹⁷https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-66254_34491--_00.html

¹⁸https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/SFSP_Memo_1_2_019_645726_7.pdf

¹⁹https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-66254_34491-489165--_00.html

²⁰<https://www.flickr.com/photos/USDAgov>