

OHNS TOWN HALL

October 14, 2020

We will begin at 2:00 pm

HAPPY TO
HAVE YOU
WITH US!

- WE WILL OPEN THE CHAT BOX AT THE END. 😊
- POWERPOINTS ARE POSTED AT:
 - [OFFICE OF HEALTH AND NUTRITION SERVICES TOWN HALL MEETINGS](#) WEBPAGE
- Q & A WILL BE UPDATED WEEKLY AND POSTED AT:
 - [MDE COVID-19 HEALTH AND NUTRITION SERVICES RESOURCES](#) WEBPAGE
- NEXT: OCTOBER 28 & NOVEMBER 4

In memory of Lynna Hassenger



Current Status Update on the Extended SFSP & CACFP Waivers

- Now approved through [THE ENTIRE 2020/2021 SCHOOL YEAR!!](#)
- This allows free breakfast and lunch meals to be served to all children through June 30, 2021
 - This also allows a third meal and snack to be provided in the CACFP by approved sponsors!
- This is an amazing and unprecedented opportunity to feed all students
 - Equitable access for all students – reduced stigma
 - “Routine” for you so you can focus on what’s important – the kids!
- Maximize federal resources into our state and communities!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Offer vs serve is available for congregate meals only. OVS is NOT available for any non-congregate meals.
- Meal pattern waiver is available for demonstrated interruption in supply chain.
 - Communicate menu and schedule changes with your distributor
- Sponsors will be responsible to monitor all extended SFSP sites per application agreement; monitor review and racial/ethnic data form must be complete by November 15, 2020
 - Monitoring is covered in the online training
 - If sites are added to the MEGS+ application at a later date, you **MUST** complete the necessary monitoring within the first 4 weeks of operation
- Every sponsor must have a program integrity plan that outlines your policies/procedures to assure program integrity

Reimbursement rate comparisons

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

	Meals Served at Self-Prep or Rural Sites	Meals Served at Other Types of Sites
Breakfast	\$2.3750	\$2.3300
Lunch	\$4.1525	\$4.0875

SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS

	SBP Non-Severe Need	SBP Severe Need	NSLP Non-Severe Need	NSLP Severe Need
Paid	\$.32	\$.32	\$.40	\$.42
Reduced-Price	\$1.59	\$1.96	\$3.18	\$3.20
Free	\$1.89	\$2.26	\$3.58	\$3.60

Extended SFSP MEGS+ Application

- Due date – October 15
 - If application is submitted before/on October 15, sponsor can get retroactive claims from first day of school (August/September).
- If an SFSP application is submitted after October 15, sponsors will only receive reimbursement for the current month of submission.
 - Ex. Submit on October 17th, can claim month of October and months moving forward. If September dates are checked in the application, they will need to be unchecked during the approval process. In this scenario, we will not provide retroactive claims; give August/September claims.
 - Ex. Submit on November 3rd, can claim the month of November and months moving forward.
- **Do not inactivate sites that you served at during the summer months**

Follow the steps below to add January 2021 - June 2021 to your SFSP MEGS+ Application

- If you have an approved application, DO NOT make any amendments until after November 1
 - After November 1, you can add in January through April
 - Staff need to prioritize new application approvals
- If you are currently working on an application, either due to a modification or because you haven't submitted yet (are new to E-SFSP), add in January through April
- Month of May and beyond- these dates will be added to the 2021 SFSP MEGS+ application
 - Application opens March 1. More details to come...

Unanticipated school closure SFSP ended on June 30!!

- You must apply for the Extended Summer Food Service Program (E-SFSP) in order to provide free meals to children.
- When approved for E-SFSP, you will enter the number of meals you serve in the SFSP claim.

SNP 2021 MEGS+ APPLICATION

- Reasons we need an approved SNP application on file for SY 20-21:
 - New extended SFSP sponsors must be an approved NSLP sponsor
 - Reporting – MDE must report specific data included in the application each year
 - Indirect Cost Rate
 - Consortia Selection
 - Meal Prices
 - Health Inspection Dates
- We will be as flexible as possible but may request modifications
 - Common modifications requested:
 - Incorrect answer to Indirect Cost question (#13 on Sponsor Information page)
 - Meal Price chart completed incorrectly (ex. Partial CEP but chart doesn't include meal prices)
 - Health Inspection Dates need explanation (2 Inspections must be requested each year)

Free and reduced-price meal applications

- All districts must continue to:
 - Pull the direct certification reports and extend eligibility to ensure students/households receive benefits they are eligible for
 - Collect and process free and reduced-price meal applications for eligible households
 - Collect and process household information reports (CEP districts)
- Why do we need student eligibility?
 - This data is reported in the fall general collection and is used for state funding allocations
 - [Supplemental nutrition eligibility component overview](#) handout
 - Fall collection certification in MSDS is November 11
 - P-EBT benefits (if the program is renewed)

Poll: how is it going collecting free/reduced applications (for non-CEP schools) or household information surveys (for CEP schools)?

- Going well – no concerns
- Mediocre – struggling to get applications back from parents
- Awful – where are the applications?
- We forgot to start collecting or just haven't had time
- We were to be collecting applications/surveys?

Direct certification

- AS A REMINDER, HERE ARE THE UPCOMING DIRECT CERTIFICATION DATES. THERE WAS A REFRESH LAST WEEK ON OCTOBER 8TH AND THE NEXT REFRESH IS OCTOBER 22.

10/8/2020 – MSDS DIRECT CERTIFICATION REFRESH (INCLUDES SRM, NONPUBLIC EARLY ROSTER RECORDS SUBMITTED BY 10/5/20)

10/22/2020 – MSDS DIRECT CERTIFICATION REFRESH (INCLUDES SRM, NONPUBLIC EARLY ROSTER RECORDS SUBMITTED BY 10/19/20)

11/6/2020 – MSDS DIRECT CERTIFICATION REFRESH (INCLUDES SRM, NONPUBLIC EARLY ROSTER RECORDS SUBMITTED BY 11/3/20)

11/19/2020 – MSDS DIRECT CERTIFICATION REFRESH (INCLUDES SRM, NONPUBLIC EARLY ROSTER RECORDS SUBMITTED BY 11/16/20)

12/4/2020 – MSDS DIRECT CERTIFICATION REFRESH (INCLUDES SRM, NONPUBLIC EARLY ROSTER RECORDS SUBMITTED BY 12/1/20)

What is the impact on state supplemental payments (31D/31F)?

- **SFSP Expenditures:**
 - **All Other Programs**
 - **USC SFSP**
 - **Traditional SFSP**
 - **Extended SFSP**
- **Will be included in State Supplemental payment calculations (31d & 31f)**

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Breakfast Grant Codes</u> 306, 311, 850	<u>Lunch Grant Codes</u> 310, 851	<u>All Other Programs*</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salaries	\$34,650.95	\$93,685.91	\$0.00	\$128,336.86
Benefits	\$28,918.77	\$78,187.81	\$16,758.17	\$123,864.75
Purchased Services	\$1,793.12	\$4,848.05	\$500.00	\$7,141.17
Thru another Public School	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Other	\$129.60	\$350.40	\$2,180.85	\$2,660.85
Sub Total	\$65,492.44	\$177,072.17	\$19,439.02	\$262,003.63
Food Costs	\$27,423.96	\$74,146.25	\$17,851.21	\$119,421.42
Indirect Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Program Cost	\$92,916.40	\$251,218.42	\$37,290.23	\$381,425.05
Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,372.40	\$2,372.40

Technical Notes
Object Codes: Salaries (1xxx), Benefits (2xxx), Purchased Services (3xxx, 4xxx), Thru Another Public School (82xx), Supplies and Others (55xx, 57xx, 59xx, 7xxx), Food Costs (56xx), Indirect Costs (99xx), Capital Outlay (6xxx).
***Grant Codes:** "All Other Programs" include Adult, Ala Carte, Catering and all other Federal Child Nutrition Programs.
Error Notes:
 Cost Per Meal - Meals served require expenditures to be reported using Grant code 850x for the School Breakfast Program and/or Grant Code 851x for the National School Lunch Program.

I have an excess fund balance from SY19-20, now what?

- Verify on audited financial statements, FID school meals report or SLYER report
- Funds must be spent on food service program improvements
- An acceptable spend down plan of action will be required in February 2021
- The excess fund balance must be spent down by June 30, 2021
- Most common ways to invest in FS program improvements:
 - Improving food quality
 - Purchasing needed supplies, services, or equipment
 - Additional staffing
- Why work on the spend down plan now? Working on the plan now will allow districts more time to plan, procure and spend down the funds by June 30, 2021.

New 31k funding for student meal negative balance forgiveness

- For school year 2020/2021 only
- \$1 million to reimburse districts for forgiving current student meal negative balances
- Application process will open by early November
- Districts must apply by 12/1/2020
- MDE must award payments within 60 days
- Funds can be prorated if funding is not enough to cover
- To be eligible for reimbursement payments districts must:
 - Adopt meal charge policies that prevent all forms of lunch shaming
 - Write off current student meal negative balances with a transfer from the general fund

Child care subsidy for school age children in care

- Effective August 16, 2020 - December 19, 2020 childcare providers may bill the childcare subsidy for care provided during the school day for school age children if a child is participating in virtual education.
- To be eligible, a school-age child must be enrolled in a virtual education program when virtual learning is the only option in the school district. This includes when a school-age child:
 - Virtual learning is the only option available at their school.
 - A five day a week in-person option is not available currently at their school.
 - Due to a health concern of the child or family.

Additional information; www.Michigan.Gov/childcare

Child care relief fund grants – round 6

- The child care relief fund is a grant program that helps childcare providers cover costs during the COVID-19 emergency. The goal of the program is to help childcare providers stay in business and make childcare more affordable for Michigan families.
- The grants are non-competitive, and funds do not need to be repaid.
- All open providers are eligible for at least \$9,000 in operational costs.
- Tuition credits for families have been redesigned to be easier to administer.
- Three webinars are scheduled to learn more about the round 6 application **prior** to your application submission. No registration is required for the webinars.
- Additional information; www.Michigan.Gov/childcare

Institute Of Child Nutrition Training Opportunities

- Free live interactive virtual instructor led training available October – December ,2020
- Topics included:
 - Food safety training for school nutrition
 - Food safety training for child and adult care food program
 - Child and adult care food program nutrition training
 - Basic culinary math

To register: visit the icn website at <https://theicn.Org/vilt/> .

FOOD SERVICE CONTRACTS

MDE's role in the bid process:

- MDE is not a party to the final contract. It is between the SFA and the company/vendor.
- MDE reviews and monitors the bid process from start to finish, which includes the approval of prototypes/bid packets and final contracts.
- MDE also reviews, monitors, and approves any subsequent contract renewals and amendments/addenda.
- MDE provides technical assistance and ensures USDA regulations on procurement are met.

CONTRACT CHANGES

- **All changes to a contract must first be reviewed by MDE prior to implementation by either party.** Some examples include:
 - Pricing for meals or fees
 - Participation in a new program, such as SFSP or CACFP
 - Staffing needs
 - Number of meals served
 - Meal type, such as unitized versus bulk
 - A need for pre-packaged items for grab and go or multi-day meal packs

CHECK YOUR INVOICES!

- It is very important that SFAs monitor all invoices received from their food service company/vendor.
- All prices and services (such as number of meals, meal types, etc.) must match the initial contract terms or the negotiated renewal agreement.
- If discrepancies are found, return the invoice back to the company and request a revised version.

CONTRACT TERMINATION AND REBID

- While ending a contract may not be anyone's first choice, it is the USDA's only allowable option for most material changes, including changes in price structure.
- Notify the current food service company/vendor as soon as it is determined that the contract will be terminated.
- 60 days' written notice is required.
- Notify MDE of the decision to terminate the contract.
- If the SFA intends to rebid for its food service, it must communicate this information with the current company/vendor and contact MDE to begin the bid process.
- MDE-FSMC-Vended@michigan.gov

10 Cents A Meal Program

- 10 cents a meal is a statewide program
- All school districts and sponsors of child care centers may apply
- Competitive, matching grant
- Reimbursed for purchasing and serving Michigan-grown fruits, vegetables, and legumes
- Michigan has \$2 million dollars for reimbursement to school districts and CACFP programs
- \$200,000 is specifically earmarked for CACFP

How The Grant Works

If awarded, you are required to:

- Purchase at least twice the amount of the grant award in local produce
- Serve in reimbursable child nutrition programs – school breakfast and lunch, after school snacks, child and adult care breakfast, lunch and suppers or at risk after school – all SFSP meals
- Submit purchasing/invoice data
- Complete monthly surveys
- Claim for reimbursement

How To Apply

- The application is now open
- Contact our office for the direct link to the application
- Completed applications are due by 9:00 am on Monday, October 26

Keys to Completing the Application

The application is competitive and asks for information such as:

- Current local, minimally processed produce purchasing and how it's used in your program(s)
- Current farm-to-school partnerships
- Marketing plans for local purchasing initiatives
- Project goals including educational efforts

The more thorough your application response is,
the better chance you will have to be granted funds

Need More Information

- www.tencentsmichigan.org

- Contact our office

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HAPPY NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK!

Governor's Proclamation:

https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIEOG/2020/10/12/file_attachments/1569153/School%20Lunch%20Week%202020.pdf

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- CACFP applications for preschool and/or ARAS were due September 30, 2020
- SLYER (non-public schools) were due September 30, 2020
- NSLP/SBP application were due October 1, 2020
- SFSP application for new school sponsors due October 15, 2020 (tomorrow!!)
- SFSP monitor review must be completed by November 15, 2020

WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE?

Please enter your questions in the chat box.