



Child Nutrition Programs (CNP) News from the Michigan Department of Education (MDE)

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Unanticipated School Closure, 12 (I) Waivers

12 (I) Waivers to serve non-congregate meals during Unanticipated School Closures (USC) are now available for **all federal child nutrition programs**. With these waivers, both School Food Authorities (SFAs) and non-school sponsors may claim meals through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), and the At-risk Afterschool portion of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) when a school building is closed due to unplanned building closures caused by extreme weather conditions or other unanticipated events. The [Meal Service During Unanticipated School Closure Request Form](#) is now available on the [SFSP website](#) under How to Apply. Before serving meals through USC, sponsors are required to watch [Unanticipated School Closure 12 \(I\) Waiver Webinar](#) recorded training to ensure compliance. This training is available on the SFSP website under How to Apply. Be on the lookout for a news bulletin with more specific details.

System Access Help

The Michigan Department of Education's Office of Nutrition Services is currently experiencing a transition with staff. Please be advised that responses to any system and/or access related questions may be delayed.

In the meantime, you may be able to find the answer(s) you need on our website.

- If you are unsure of what system you need access to, you can find a summary of each of the systems and what they do [HERE](#).
- If you need step by step instructions for getting access to a system, you can find instructions [HERE](#).
- You can find ALL of the system help documents [HERE](#).

The new mailbox for all system and access related questions is MDE-ONS-Access@michigan.gov.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday @ 2

Topic: SNP: Production Records

Date: Tuesday, December 3, 2024

Time: 2-2:30pm

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

Or Telephone:

USA 404 443 6397

USA 8773361831 (US Toll Free)

Conference code: 806533

Town Hall

Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2024

Time: 3-4 pm

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android

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Tuesday @ 2

Topic: FD: General Procurement FAQ

Date: Tuesday, December 17, 2024

Time: 2-2:30 pm

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Updates, Guidance, and Regulation Information from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)

The USDA has released the following policy memos for Fiscal Year 2025:

- [SP 05-2025, CACFP 04-2025, SFSP 02-2025](#) Guidance for Accepting Processed Product Documentation for Meal Pattern Requirements
- [SP 03-2025, CACFP 03-2025, SFSP 01-2025](#) Substituting Vegetables for Grains in American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Tribal Communities
- [CACFP 02-2025](#) Offer Versus Serve and Family Style Meals in the Child and Adult Care Food Program
- [CACFP 01-2025](#) Nutrition Requirements for Fluid Milk and Fluid Milk Substitutions in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Questions and Answers

Please visit the [Resources and Guidance](#) section of our Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) website to view a list of current and previous fiscal year memos.

Training Corner

Upcoming ServSafe Manager Training and Certification Opportunities

Looking for Food Manager Certification training and exam opportunities for you and your staff? Carolyn Thomas is hosting an upcoming ServSafe Manager Certification course with examination at Macomb Intermediate School District

(MISD) in Clinton Township on Saturday, December 7, 2024 ([Registration Link](#)). Seeking other training dates and/or locations? For more opportunities, check out the [Michigan State University \(MSU\) Extension](#) and [Michigan Restaurant and Lodging Association \(MRLA\)](#) websites.

10 Cents a Meal for Michigan's Kids and Farms Purchase Submission and Reporting Training Reminder and Virtual Option Added!

This is a reminder that 10 Cents a Meal has several upcoming in person purchase submission and reporting trainings for 10 Cents a Meal. Based on feedback from our grantees, there is now a virtual option on December 9, 2024, at 9-10am via Zoom. This has been added to the full list of upcoming sessions below. Attendance is free, but registration is required.

- **Bay Area and Northeast Michigan – Thursday, December 5** 2-4 pm at Bay-Arenac ISD
- **Virtual option - Monday, December 9** 9-10 am via Zoom
- **Muskegon and Grand Rapids Area – Monday, December 9** 2-4 pm at the Muskegon Area Career Tech Center
- **Kalamazoo and Battle Creek Area – Monday, December 16** 2-4 pm at Kalamazoo Valley Community College
- **Flint and Thumb Area - Tuesday, December 17** 2-4 pm at the Erwin L. Davis Education Center

Please contact MDE-FarmtoProgram@Michigan.gov with any questions.

School Meal Overview Workshops Offered

The staff of the Michigan Department of Education's (MDE) School Nutrition Programs Unit is pleased to announce a hands-on, activity-based workshop for food service personnel titled "School Meals Overview Workshop." This training is targeted to several specific areas: menu development, recipes and labels, production records, meal component tool, cycle menus, application processing, counting and claiming, direct certification, and verification. The workshop will provide active sessions where food service personnel can interact with MDE staff to resolve any issues that would result in findings during an Administrative Review.

The workshop consists of two days – Day One will cover nutrition related information and Day Two will cover administrative information. There is no cost for the workshop and participants are welcome to come one or both days.

Dates: Tuesday, January 14, 2025, and Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Location: Wayne RESA 33500 Van Born Rd, Wayne, MI 48184

Registration links for [Day 1](#) and [Day 2](#) (each day must be registered for separately)

Contact Us

Email: MDE-SchoolNutrition@Michigan.gov

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School Nutrition Programs

www.michigan.gov/schoolnutrition

Email: MDE-schoolnutrition@michigan.gov

Summer Food Service Program

www.michigan.gov/sfsp

Email: mde-sfsp@michigan.gov

Child and Adult Care Food Program

www.michigan.gov/cacfp

Email: mde-cacfp@michigan.gov

Food Distribution

www.michigan.gov/mde-fdp

Email: mde-fmfd@michigan.gov

Fiscal and Administrative Services

www.michigan.gov/mde-fast

Email: MDE-Fiscal@michigan.gov

Procurement and Contracts

www.michigan.gov/mde-foodservicecontracts

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School Health and Safety

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