



Child Nutrition Programs (CNP) Bulletin

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The Meet Up and Eat Up Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Turnip the Beet Award, recognizes outstanding SFSP sponsors across Michigan who work hard to offer high quality meals that are appetizing, appealing, and nutritious during the summer months. Three award levels are available: Bronze, Silver, and Gold and are open to all sponsors.

Sponsors may submit a self-nomination or be nominated by another party. The sponsor or other party must fill out the [2025 TUB Nomination Packet](#) and submit a one-month menu to Michigan Department of Education (MDE) SFSP.

Menus should be detailed enough to demonstrate that the meals meet the evaluation criteria. For example, menus should describe:

- Vegetables: fresh, frozen, canned, or dried
- Fruit: fresh, frozen, canned, or dried
- Milk: fat content and if it's flavored
- Whole grain-rich items
- Local food items

Sponsors are encouraged to submit supporting documents to help demonstrate the quality of their meals using photos, testimonials, news clips about the

program, and/or invoices of local food purchases. Please do not submit more than ten supporting documents. [Tips for sponsors completing the nomination packet.](#)

The Turnip the Beet nominations (form, menu, and supporting documents) are due by Friday, January 9, 2026, via email to MDE-SFSP@Michigan.gov.

Winners will be notified by MDE in the spring of 2026.

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