

School Meals Transition



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Upcoming Programming

School Year 2022-2023 National School Lunch (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP)

Community Eligibility and Universal Meals

Questions

Transition to Summer 2022

Nationwide SSO ends on the
last day of the regular school
year for 2021-2022

Congress did not extend
waiver authority beyond
June 30, 2022

Transition to Summer 2022

July 1, 2022: Reimbursement
Rates return to NSLP

Follow Traditional SSO
Regulations

Non-congregate, Meal Time
and Parent Pick-up:
State-level Flexibilities
Available IF Regular Meal
Service Disrupted By COVID

Transition to School Year 2022-2023

TRADITIONAL NSLP

Free & Reduced Meal Applications

Direct Certification- Min 3x/year,
Recommend monthly

Income Verification-Oct 1

Claims Based on Eligibility:
Free, Reduced and Paid

Community Eligibility Provision

- Alternative to household applications for free and reduced-price meals
- Four-year program with renewal option
- Schools may opt in or opt out each year
- May participate in some or all schools in district

What are Universal Free Meals?

All meals are served at no cost to all students. Will continue to claim by eligibility.

Can waive reduced price. May use non-profit food service account to cover cost.

Paid meals served at breakfast can be absorbed by food service account

Paid meals served at lunch would have to covered by non-federal funds



USDA Foods & Supply Chain



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School Nutrition Supply Chain

- Affects every school
- Disruptions on all levels
 - Grower, Manufacturer and Distributor
 - School Staff
- Impact: delays and “out of stock”
- Forecasting becomes more difficult
- Regular communication between Ohio Department of Education, school teams, sales brokers, and manufacturer reps



How can you help?

- Communication is the key
- Understand that conditions change day-to-day
- **Your food service teams will focus on the best and most nutritious meals possible**
- Amplify the message for parents, teachers, and especially the students
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USDA Foods and School Meal Programs

- 20% of Food Service budget
- USDA Foods usable in lunch, breakfast or snacks
- Every NSLP lunch earns approximately \$0.40 toward USDA Foods



School Nutrition Supply Chain Assistance Funds

- All SFAs must complete the [Supply Chain Assistance Funding Attestation Form](#)
- Can be used for NSLP, SBP, snacks
- Funds will not be released until the attestation form is submitted.





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