

Summer Food Service Program



Program Bulletin

Child Nutrition Programs

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To: SFSP Sponsors **Bulletin:** 2022-5 Program Reviewers

From: Val Cummins Subject: FY2022 SFSP Information

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USDA Policy Memos, Information, and Guidance:

No new memos from USDA.

To view the USDA SFSP policy memos, visit:

DEED <u>Child Nutrition Programs website</u> or the <u>USDA Policy Memorandum webpage</u> by clicking on links.

Additional Topics:

- 1. SFSP 2022 Waivers
- 2. SFSP 2022 Weekly Roundtable
- 3. Visit and Monitoring reminder
- 4. NSLP Annual Training

1. SFSP Waivers

Currently approved Alaska-specific Waivers available:

- 1. OVS (rescission waiver)
- 2. Meal Service Times (rescission waiver)
- 3. Area Eligibility for Closed Enrolled sites (rescission waiver)
- 4. First Week Site Review (rescission waiver)

COVID-19 Waivers:

- 1. Off- Site Monitoring (Approved)
- 2. Non-Congregate Meal Services (PENDING)
- 3. Parent / Guardian Meal Pickup (PENDING)

2. 2022 SFSP Weekly Roundtable Discussions

We began on April 28th with our weekly roundtable at 2:00 where we discuss challenges and any program updates. Please watch your email inbox for the new invite to join in the SFSP 2022 roundtable for the remainder of the summer season.

3. Visit and Monitoring reminder

Sponsors are required to perform site visits and site reviews at various times throughout program operations. These reviews are an important part of the sponsor's responsibility to ensure the integrity of



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the Program. Site visits and reviews are defined as:

• Site Visits:

Requires monitor to ensure that the food service is operating smoothly and that any apparent problems are immediately resolved.

• Site Reviews:

Requires monitor to determine if the site is meeting all the various Program requirements. Monitors must observe a complete meal service from beginning to end, including delivery or preparation of meals, the meal service, and clean up after meals.

Sponsors must conduct a review of the food service at least once in the first four weeks of Program operations. If a site operates less than four weeks, the sponsor must still conduct a review. A monitor must observe delivery or preparation of meals, service of meals, children eating the meals; clean up after meals, and completion of site meal count paperwork. During each review the monitor should discuss any concerns or problems with the site supervisor and other site staff. The monitor must also document everything on the site visit/review form, including technical assistance and training provided.

Follow-up Visits

Sponsors must conduct follow-up visits for any serious deficiencies that were identified during a site visit or review to ensure that permanent corrective action has been implemented

Please contact the DEED SFSP Specialist if you have questions about which visits and reviews are needed and the required timeline for the visits and reviews.

4. NSLP Annual Training

The Annual NSLP Training will be held virtually this year on July 26th through the 28th. Please contact Beth Seitz at elizabeth.seitz@alaska.gov for more information.

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