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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Directors of Residential Child Care Institutions

Other Appropriate Personnel

FROM:

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RE:

SY 2020-2021 Operational Memo #12

Monitoring Requirements in the Afterschool Snack Program and CACFP At-Risk

Program

Many School Food Authorities (SFAs) are providing afterschool snacks through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Afterschool Snack Program (ASSP) and/or the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) At-Risk Program. Both of these programs have specific monitoring requirements that must be followed. Please see the descriptions below.

- 1. <u>NSLP ASSP</u>: SFAs are required to review each afterschool snack program twice a year; the first review must be made during the first four weeks of operation.
- 2. CACFP At-Risk Program: SFAs must review the At-Risk program three times per year.
 - a. At least two of the three reviews must be unannounced.
 - b. At least one unannounced review must include observation of a meal service.
 - c. At least one review must be during the first four weeks of operation.
 - d. No more than six months may pass between reviews.
- Sponsors of SFSP Sites and CACFP At-Risk Sites: SFAs are able to follow the CACFP review schedule year-round (the SFSP review counts as one of the three annual CACFP reviews). If sponsors choose to follow the CACFP monitoring schedule year-round:
 - a. One of the three annual reviews must occur during the summer, review to ensure that SFSP requirements are met, include the review of a meal service, and be unannounced.
 - b. Two reviews must occur during the school year, review that CACFP requirements are met, at least one must include the review of a meal service, and at least one must be unannounced.

As a reminder, USDA has extended nationwide waivers to help minimize potential exposure to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), allowing SFAs and CACFP sponsors to conduct monitoring offsite (through desk audits). Per USDA Memo COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #41, Nationwide Waiver of Onsite Monitoring Requirements in the School Meals Programs – Revised – EXTENSION 2¹, to ensure Program

integrity during this time, State agencies and SFAs should, to the maximum extent practicable, continue monitoring activities of Program operations offsite (e.g., through a desk audit); this waiver is in effect through June 30, 2021. Per USDA Memo COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #39, Nationwide Waiver of Onsite Monitoring Requirements for Sponsors in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, to ensure Program integrity during this time, sponsoring organizations should, to the maximum extent practicable, continue monitoring activities of Program operations offsite (e.g., through a desk audit); this waiver is in effect through September 30, 2021.

Compliance with monitoring requirements will be part of the applicable Nutrition Program Administrative Review.

Attached to this memo are the Afterschool Snack Program Review Form, the CACFP At-Risk Sponsor Monitor Form, and the NLSP Afterschool Snack Program/CACFP At-Risk Program Comparison Chart. Please complete the applicable monitoring form when monitoring, and maintain these as part of your records.

If you have questions, please call the office at 302-857-3356.

Attachments: Afterschool Snack Program Review Form; CACFP At-Risk Sponsor Monitor Form; ASSP Versus At-Risk Chart

cc: Nutrition Team

Delaware Department of Education Afterschool Snack Program On-Site Review

(Revised September 2019)

NOTE: School Food Authorities (SFAs) operating the Afterschool Snack Program (ASSP) are required to conduct two on-site reviews of the ASSP per year: once within the first four weeks of operation and one any other time during the school year.

School Food Authority:	School:			
School Contact:				
School Attendance Date of Review:				
Program: (check one)	☐ Area-Eligible Snack			
Regular Snacks Served Day of Review:	Price Charged Per Snack:			
Free	Free \$			
Reduced	Reduced \$			
Paid	Paid \$			
Area-Eligible Snacks Served Day of Review (non-	-pricing): Total:			
SNACK MENU: Day of Review	PORTION SIZE:			
First Annual Review Conducted:	Second Review Con			
		YES	NO	N/A
1. Is there a head count of students receiving snac				
2. Is there an accurate POS for sites that operate to				
3. Is the snack meeting meal pattern requirements		-		
4. Is the charge for a reduced price snack \$.15 ce				
5. Is documentation of food items and portion siz records?	es maintained on production			
6. Is there an educational or enrichment activity program?	planned as part of the			
7. Is the total snack count for day of review reaso claims?	nable based on monthly			
8. Are there temperature records for the snacks?				
8. Describe the procedures for distributing snacks	3:			
9. Comments:				
Signature of Reviewer	Date			

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CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM Date of Review: AT-RIS (F

K MONITOR FORM for Sponsor Use)	Announced:

Supper	Observed) Snack		List Ite		
(Circle Meal Being (
Are the food carriers in	nsulated?	Yes	No	N/A	
Number of Meals Rece	ived:	_ Num	ber of Me	eals Served:	
Temperature of food:	Cold (Item/Temp)		H	ot (Item/Tem _l	p)
Time of meal service:					
Time meals were deliv	ered:	Schedul	ed meal 1	time:	
Meal Service Observ	ed on Day of Vis	<u>sit</u>			
Has Site Representativ	e received Annua	I CACFP	training	from Sponsor	? □ Y □ N
If Applicable: License	Expiration Date: _			License	Capacity:
Site Representative:					
Site Address:					
Site Name:					Date of Last Review:
Sponsor Name:				18/18/11	1 2 3 4 Follow-up: 5 Meal Observed: 5

(Circle Meal Being Observed)					
Supper (All required)	Snack (2 required)	List Item/s			
Milk	Milk				
Meat/Meat Alternate	Meat/Meat Alternate				
Vegetable	Vegetable				
Fruit	Fruit	11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-			
Bread/Grain	Bread/Grain				
Other Foods	Other Food				

Recordkeeping:	Circle one:			
Are menus posted for all meals served?	Yes	No	N/A	
Does the posted menu match served menu?	Yes	No	N/A	
Was a Point of Service meal count taken?	Yes	No	N/A	
If meals are vended, are meals ordered on the basis of				
providing one meal per participant?	Yes	No	N/A	
Are daily attendance records maintained?	Yes	No	N/A	
Is the "And Justice for All" poster displayed?	Yes	No	N/A	

Meal Service:	Circle one:	
Were quantities served adequate for age(s)?	Yes No N/A	
Was meal service supervised?	Yes No N/A	
Sanitation:	Circle one:	
Is/are garbage container(s) lined/covered?	Yes No N/A	
Are there food service gloves available?	Yes No N/A	

<u> </u>						
Are there clean: ovens?				No I	N/A	
	counter space(s)?				N/A	
eating surfaces?			Yes	No I	N/A	
dishes/eating utensils?			Yes	<u> </u>	V/A	
Cold Storage:	···		Circl	e one:		
Is there a working refrigerator/freezer available?					V/A	
Is there a working thermometer			Yes Yes		V/A	
Are all perishables properly ma					.,,,,	
freezer?		,	Yes	No I	V/A	
Dry Storage:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			e one:	-	
Does it seem adequate?			Yes		V/A	
Are foods stored separately fro	m cleaning item	s?	Yes		V/A	
Is the facility free of rodent or			Yes		V/A	
Is the storage secured?			Yes		V/A	
4	•	I.			*, * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	
Does the meal count for five today's meal count? Yes () and the required corrective act	No () N/A (() If "No,"	obta	in and reco	rd an explanation	
Dates	Site (Counts		Reviewer Counts		
ŀ	ll .		- 1			
From:// To://		"				
To:/	Attendance	Meal Cour	ıt	Attendance	Meal Count	
Day 1 Observation Day						
Day 2:						
Day 3:					·	
Day 4:						
Day 5:			-		<u> </u>	
Totals						
Findings, Comments, Recom	mendations ar	nd Correctiv	re Ac	tion Requi	rements:	
						
		, <u>, </u>				
Signature of Monitor:			_ D	ate:		
Signature of Site Representative:				Date:		
Follow up date if necessary:						

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NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM (SNP) AFTERSCHOOL SNACK PROGRAM

Criteria for Participation

- Provide snacks to students after the normal school day ends.
- Only available on regularly scheduled school days; no weekends, holidays, etc.
- Provide an education or enrichment component.
- Can be area eligible: be located in an attendance area where at least 50% or more of the children are eligible for free or reduced meals OR
- Student snacks can be counted and claimed in the eligibility category (free, reduced, paid) for which the students are approved if the school does not qualify for area eligibility.

Monitoring Requirements

- Must monitor each school at least twice during the school year.
- One monitor visit must be during the first four weeks of program operation.

NSLP Afterschool Snack Meal Requirement

- Must serve and students must take 2 components from the following list:
 - √ 1 oz eq meat/meat alternate
 - ✓ 1 oz eq grain
 - √ ¾ cup fruit
 - √ ¾ cup vegetable
 - 1 cup FF flavored or unflavored milk or 1 cup LF unflavored milk
- Potable water must be available
- Offer versus serve does not apply.

Required Documentation

- Daily completed meal production records for the snacks offered and served
- Nutrition and ingredient labels for meat/meat alternates and grains
- Invoices/receipts

CHILD & ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM (CACFP) AT-RISK SNACKS

Criteria for Participation

- Provide snacks to children after the normal school day ends.
- May provide snacks on the weekends, holidays, or during school vacations/breaks.
- Provide an education or enrichment component.
- Must be area eligible: Be located in an attendance area where at least 50% or more of the children are eligible for free or reduced meals.

Monitoring Requirements

- Must review each school three times per year; two reviews must be unannounced.
- At least one unannounced visit must include observation of the meal service.
- One review must be conducted during each new school's first four weeks of operations.
- No more than six months can lapse between reviews. (If an SFSP site, 1 SFSP visit can count toward the 3 required visits in CACFP.)

CACFP At-Risk Snack Meal Requirement

- Must serve and students must take 2 components from the following list:
 - √ 1 ounce of meat/meat alternate
 - ✓ 1 serving of grains
 - √ ¾ cup of fruits
 - √ ¾ cup of vegetables
 - 1 cup FF flavored or unflavored milk or 1 cup LF unflavored milk

NOTE: SFAs have the option to plan snacks using either the NSLP meal pattern or CACFP meal pattern.

- Potable water must be available
- Offer versus serve does not apply.

Required Documentation

- Daily attendance records or sign-in sheets
- # of At-Risk snacks prepared or delivered
- # of At-Risk snacks served
- # of snacks served to program adults
- Copy of the menus documenting compliance with the meal pattern
- Invoices/receipts