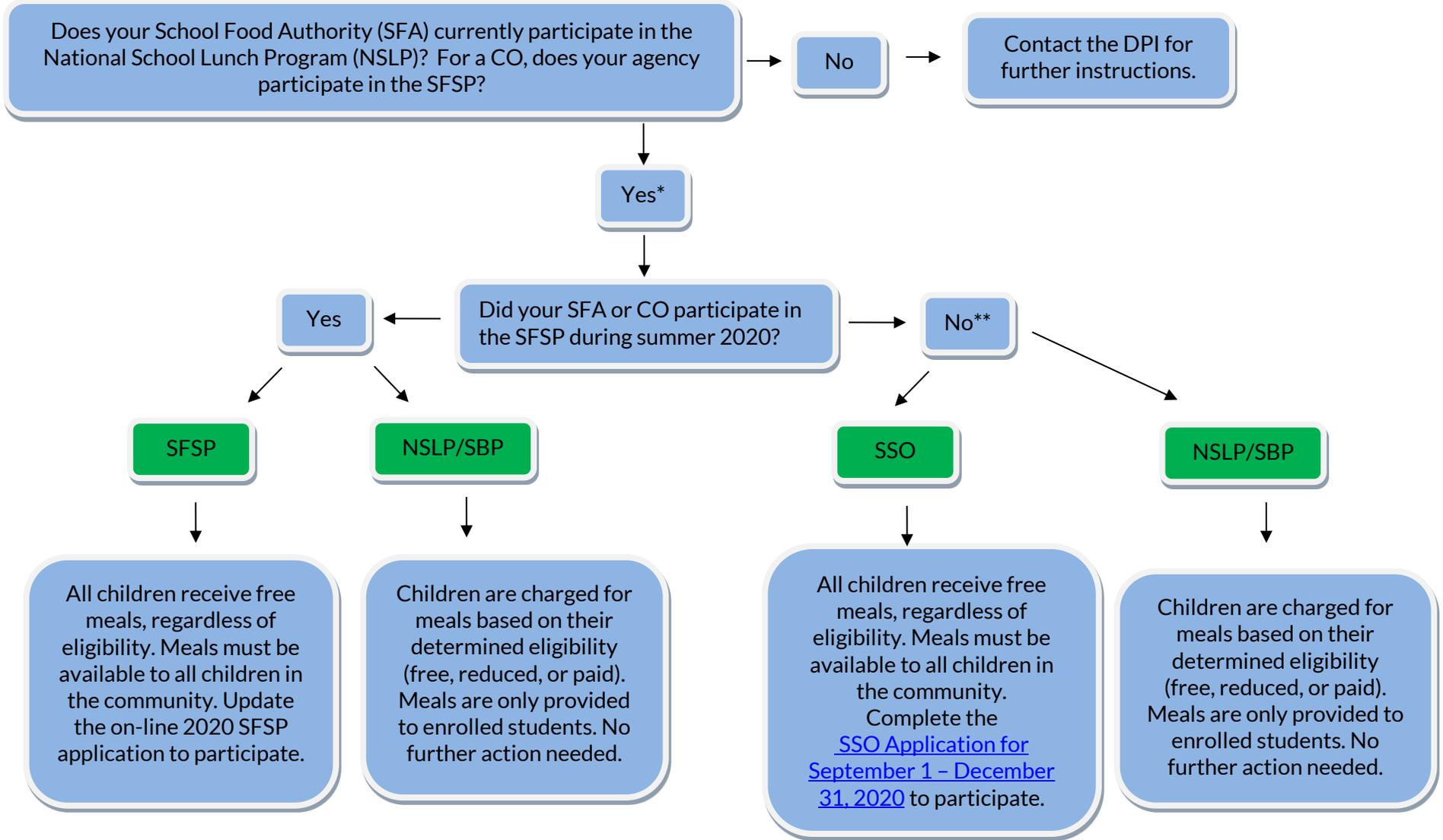


**Options for Providing Meals during COVID-19
September 1 – December 31, 2020**

School Food Authorities (SFAs) and Community Organizations (CO) have three options to continue providing reimbursable meals to children between September 1 – December 31, 2020. These options include the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), Seamless Summer Option (SSO), or National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP). Area eligibility requirements for the SSO and SFSP are waived until December 31, 2020. See the flow chart below to determine which option is best for your agency.



**Small schools may work with local public school districts to provide meals for their enrolled students. In this scenario, the public school district would provide meals free of charge to the small school and the public school district would claim those meals under their SFSP or SSO contract. The small school would not submit a claim for reimbursement for these meals. Schools should contact their local public school district to discuss these options. This option will require a school nutrition contract update as the small school would have a delayed program start date. Please note by not claiming meals, this will have implications for USDA Foods entitlement, Severe Need Breakfast and possibly area eligibility qualification for afterschool snacks.*

***Switching from the SSO to the SFSP may be a possibility, however; due to the number of steps involved in applying for the SFSP, we ask that you also complete the SSO Application to ensure your ability to claim free meals immediately. The Community Nutrition team is starting SFSP contract approval updates for current sponsors and will begin processing new applications for the SFSP as soon as possible. The SFSP application instructions can be found online under the [Application Process](#). **Completion of SFSP training is required as part of the application process.** Please complete the [SFSP E-learning Course](#). Once training and the contract are complete Amy Kolano will reach out to you (as soon as possible) to complete the pre-approval process requirements. After going through the instructions, if you have further SFSP contract questions feel free to email [Amy Kolano](#).*

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