

SCHOOL NUTRITION TEAM - Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction - School Nutrition Bulletin #4, October 11, 2016

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National School Lunch Week, October 10-14

This is National School Lunch Week, and DPI recognizes the significant contributions of school nutrition staff and the importance of a nutritious, well-balanced school lunch to the health, well-being, and education of children. A proclamation, available in English and Spanish, may be used in conjunction with other activities to promote National School Lunch Week and may be accessed at <http://dpi.wi.gov/school-nutrition/national-school-lunch-program>.

DPI Memo: Reducing Food Waste in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has joined the Environmental Protection Agency in its ambitious goal of reducing food waste by 50 percent by the year 2030. Check out the memo [here](#) to see what you can do to help out!

School Nutrition News SNT Newsletter, Fall 2016 Edition

Please see our [School Nutrition Team newsletter](#).

Webinar Today! *What's New with School Nutrition*, October 11 at 2:00 PM

Join us at 2:00 PM for this webinar. We will share program updates and a special presentation on Verification. Go to <http://dpi.wi.gov/school-nutrition/training/whats-new> for connection instructions.

USDA School Nutrition Program Guidance Memos

USDA Policy Memorandums are posted at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/policy>.

USDA Policy Memorandum SP 59-2016: *Modifications to Accommodate Disabilities in the School Meals Programs*

This memo clarifies three changes to procedures around Special Dietary Needs meals:

1. Rather than focusing on whether or not a student has a disability, schools should focus on working collaboratively with parents to ensure an equal opportunity to participate in the School Meal Programs and receive program benefits.
2. Any person who is authorized to write medical prescriptions under State law qualifies as a State licensed healthcare professional.

3. Explains procedural safeguards required to ensure parents and children have notice of the procedure for requesting meal modifications and the process for resolving disputes.

USDA Policy Memorandum SP 60-2016: *Indirect Cost Guidance*



Indirect Costs are Unallowable in Wisconsin

“The guidance provides information to State agencies and SFAs on program rules pertaining to:

- Definitions for both direct and indirect costs, including the proper classification of costs and discussion on the treatment of certain typical costs in the NSLP and SBP. Direct costs are discussed because direct and indirect costs are complementary;
- An overview of the Federal cost principles and explanation that all costs (direct or indirect) paid with funds from the NSFSFA must be allowable. The guidance provides criteria that will aid an SFA in determining allowable costs and includes relevant examples;
- Information on how a school district’s general fund recovers indirect costs from the NSFSFA. This includes appropriate application of the indirect cost rate and the requirements for the SFA to determine the rate;
- Considerations for the SFA when assessing indirect costs charged to the NSFSFA. This information includes how a SFA should address errors and the billing of previous years’ indirect costs; and
- An overview of how the indirect cost rate is developed as relevant background information for SFAs. The information includes a discussion on appropriate uses of restricted or unrestricted indirect cost rates and adjustment of the rates.”

USDA Policy Memorandum SP 61-2016: Fall 2016 Edition: *Community Eligibility Provision: Planning and Implementation Guidance*

USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service is pleased to announce the release of the Fall 2016 Edition of *Community Eligibility Provision: Planning and Implementation Guidance*. The manual includes new information codified in the final rule, *National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Eliminating Applications through Community Eligibility*, as required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, and consolidates existing CEP guidance, policy, and best practices from the local level. Notable changes are highlighted throughout the manual. The highlighted version will be removed after three months while an un-highlighted version will remain available for use. This edition supersedes SP 22-2016: *Community Eligibility Provision: Planning and Implementation Guidance*.

USDA Policy Memorandum SP 01-2017: Release of the Revised *Federal State Agreement for Child Nutrition and Food Distribution Programs (form FNS-74)*

Federal-State Agreement for Child Nutrition and Food Distribution Programs, form FNS-74, has been revised and approved by OMB. **This memo is NOT pertinent for School Food Authorities.**

USDA Policy Memorandum SP 02-2017: *Updated Fiscal Year Reporting Timeline and Reporting Table*

On October 6, 2016, the Food and Nutrition Service issued a memorandum to share updates to the Fiscal Year “Reporting Table” and “Reporting Timeline” previously provided in memo SP 21-2016, issued on December 28, 2015. **This memo is NOT pertinent for School Food Authorities.**

USDA Policy Memorandum SP 03-2017: *Draft Tool for Local Agency Procurement Reviews for School Food Authorities in SY 2016-2017-Revised*

This memorandum provides information on the revised Draft Local Agency Procurement Review Tool. While the concepts of the Tool remain the same, the revision provides clarity, improves functionality, and expands instructions for SFAs and State agencies.

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