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Child Nutrition & Wellness Advisory Council Meeting

Thursday, November 30, 2023, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Smoky Hill Education Service Center

605 E Crawford Street

Salina, Kansas 67401

Welcome and Introductions

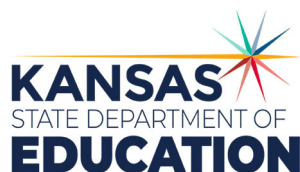
Attendees: Yvonna Nave, Tosha Smith, Roby Stuewe, Rebecca Quigley, Kelly Horn, Kelly Cahill, Melissa Koehn, Marti Higdon, David Paul, Adam Inman, Megan Barnard, Patti Dollarhide, Kelly Chanay, Barb Depew, Karen Campbell, Eryn Davis, and Pam Rosebaugh.

New Kansas Food Code

Adam Inman provided an overview of the updates to the Kansas Food Code that took effect June 2023.

Technology Updates

- Technology Grant – nTIG. Extension until 2025. Cleaning up code/tables and hoping that KN-CLAIM will function more quickly. Feedback provided on ideas for dashboard: Put current year at top (no scrolling), upload the program agreement one time, add CNC information, Sponsor Application with Programs across top, use decision tree, navigating e-reviews is challenging.
- SFSP Meal Counting App – Information Technology is still working on the reporting aspect of the application, but it is getting closer to being complete. KSDE will reach out to seeing Advisory council members when ready to test.
- AR/Procurement Review Cycles – As part of the CNP Integrity Final Rule, KSDE has the option to implement a 5-year AR cycle and the option to also align the FSMC review with the AR review cycle. Thoughts: every 4 years, every 5 years, when a new Food Service Director or Authorized Representative (or an on-site visit), longer time is ok because KSDE has systems in place to follow up with sponsors experiencing difficulty/increased risk, if operating all 3 CNPs will see CNC more frequently and could increase time between Ars from 3 to 5 years. FSMC sponsor prefers all at once. Base year review is helpful and increased frequency of reviews. A few sponsors prefer separate AR and PR.
- Procurement Reviews – Desk audit was slightly favored over an in-person review. Takes more time to prepare but could also have more time.



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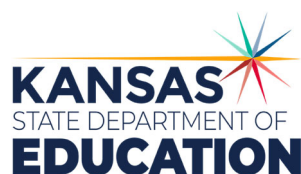
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Farm to Plate Update

- KSDE F2S Grant Update – Subgrants to schools using local flour (whole grains) in CNPs are purchasing equipment for making products. 2024 grant – How should KSDE use funds for local foods? Creating a local product across the state for distribution, themed training day around local products, tag onto KDA Ag Summit/other summits, funding for transportation/delivering (utilize current organizations for delivery, ie Kansas Food Bank), minimal paper work, clings/posters, small kitchen equipment for CACFP.
- KSDE Formula Grant Update – Farm Tours held in Fall 2023. Nebraska will host the Farm to ECE Institute in 2024. Harvest of the Month has been a challenge. How will be the best way for everyone to receive materials? FDCH prefer all at once, since they are in homes 3 times a year, centers would also prefer to have all at once and cost of mailing would be cheaper sending one time. Stickers are a favorite of kids, but the cost to purchase has increased dramatically.
- Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program – NSLP & SBP. Purchasing has been difficult with sponsors and KSDE has filed an extension to extend the grant agreement to December 6th, 2024. Booth Creek Wagyu (local Kansas producer) is working well with sponsors. Local defined for this grant is the product must be Kansas products or within 400 miles of sponsors.
- Farm to Plate Newsletter will be launching in December. Email Eryn Davis to be added to the newsletter subscription list.
- MPRO Crunch Off – Competition between states in MPRO. Unofficially, Kansas had over 40,000 crunches, region 444,000 crunches. Nebraska was overall winner. Missouri event of the year. Kansas photo of the year. Colorado breakthrough state of the year.
- Farm to School Census – Important to get as close to 100% as possible. Kansas is at 69% response rate (3rd nationally).
- KSRE – Local foods system coordinator round tables. Great representation from community partners. December 5 and 7 are virtual meetings at noon and at 7. Information is available on Kansas Local Foods website.
- KDA - Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program (RFSI) grants available - due January 31, 2024. 2 types- 1) Infrastructure, primarily for farmers/ranchers; 2) Simplified Equipment Only Grant. Schools can apply (10,000-100,000) for storage milk, fruits and vegetables (not proteins). Those not getting EAG might be able to get their equipment through this grant. Deadline is January 31, 2024. December 14 and 19 are webinars for grant application information.



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CNW Team and Program Updates

- **Staffing Update** – CNW team open positions currently advertised include Assistant Director, Registered Dietitian, and a part-time Body Venture manager.
- **Monthly Updates** – Keep program updates separate, but include links to other program update memos. Length does not matter. SFSP update separate.
- **SNP** – Round 4 of Supply Chain Assistance to be distributed to schools in January 2024. CEP mid-year election available in January.
- **CACFP** – Administrative Review. As part of the review, the consultant will review 100% of the sponsor's applications. Rounding of ADA – always round up.
- **SFSP** – SEBT is now permanent. Benefit issuance one-time payment of \$120.00. DCF is the lead agency and they work with CNW/KSDE to match kids. DCF will provide a tutorial at the January Town Hall. Household economic survey can be used this year. Next year if not directly certificated, will need to have a completed application. USDA will reach out the sponsors serving non-congregate meals last year will receive a survey to complete. More training for SFSP will be developed this year. KSDE has worked to complete the SFSP Outreach Plan for submission to USDA. Claim will be updated to include separate fields for congregate and non-congregate meals.

Professional Development Update

- Town Halls now on second Thursday of the month at 2 pm.
- KDA has a bi-lingual inspector that will assist with food safety training.
- Sponsors want more in-person training. KSDE is working to offering more and will start with food safety and calculating components. CACFP – Jump Start and revising Intro to CACFP. Support School Nutrition Association of Kansas (SNA-KS) and provide trainings through their meetings.
- Jump Start Your Success in School Nutrition Programs in Wichita in conjunction with SNA annual meeting on February 9, 2024.
- Integrity rule includes annual requirement for Procurement Training for school sponsors. Maybe tack onto Administrative Update.

Sponsor Challenges

- Wellness
- Providers quitting for getting a CAP that makes them feel like they are terrible for what seems like a minor infraction.
- Providers who quite when we went back to 2 Tiers.
- Quality applicants – we have \$ to increase wages, CFO asks - should kitchen worker make more than a para
- Smart snacks adherence elsewhere in school building



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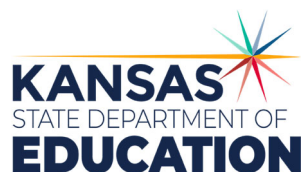
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What is Needed for the 2024

- SFSP - Food safety checklist in HACCP (alike/diff. from KDA Self Inspection checklist), resources to train sponsor staff, online site coordinator training rather than a site director train and have them sign a roster, Grab 'n Go vs Grab 'n go on site – guidelines for inspection training, monitoring requirement, 1st priority sites to schools vs. food bank, increase rural sites.
- CACFP – Help with CN labels/PFS, in-depth training for determining IEF's for Tier I or providers own children, Jump Start for CACFP.
- Farm to Plate – Resources for FSMC and buying local.
- Training
 - CACFP - Training during nap time, product formulation statements, crediting information, calculating components, in-depth training for Tier I, Jump Start for CACFP Centers/Homes, more on SD process (judgement on when it goes from TA to CAP, etc) and the process before it gets to SD, infant and toddler training for staff at centers, Saturday trainings are challenging (pay OT?).
 - Bring back Industry Update
 - Meal Modifications
 - Integrity Rules

Questions for CNW / Wrap-Up



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