

Child Nutrition & Wellness

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Sent by listserv to SFSP Sponsors and posted at <u>www.kn-eat.org</u>, Summer Food Service Program, What's New

Team Up for Summer Food Service Program Success

Make plans to attend Team Up for Summer Food Service Program Success Workshop on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at the USD 259 Production Center in Wichita. The workshop will provide customized technical assistance and sessions highlighting best practices. Team Up participants will develop personalized goals, strategies, and an action plan focusing on the areas of increasing participation and menu planning/meal quality that will assist with the administration of the Summer Food Service Program. To attend, please RSVP to Michelle Irvine by March 1 at <u>mirvine@ksde.org</u> or 785-296-2276. Details will be provided via email after registration. We look forward to seeing you there!

Build a Successful Summer Food Service Program

The 2017 Administrative Training, *Build a Successful Summer Food Service Program*, schedule has been posted at <u>www.kn-eat.org</u>, SFSP, Training. Training events will begin March 27 and conclude in May. In addition to the regional training events 2 webinar opportunities will be available that contain the same information presented at the regional trainings. An optional Menu Planning session will be offered after each of the regional trainings or Sponsors can participate in one of two Menu Planning webinars offered on April 24 and May 4. See training schedule for more details. Please send an email to Sarah Bruschi at <u>sbruschi@ksde.org</u> indicating the training session you will attend.

One More Campaign

Child Nutrition & Wellness will launch the "ONE MORE" campaign during the 2017 Administrative Training sessions. The "ONE MORE" campaign encourages Sponsors of Summer Food Service Programs to take the challenge to:

- Offer one more meal
- Operate one more week
- Add one more day of meal service
- Incorporate one more activity
- Collaborate with one more partner to increase access

Consider creative approaches to increasing access to summer meals. No matter how big or small efforts may be, they will be worth it! Make the pledge for One More at one of the regional trainings or email Kelly Chanay at <u>kchanay@ksde.org</u> for a pledge card.

Summer Food, Summer Moves Resource Kit

Sponsors attending one of the regional SFSP Administrative Training sessions will receive one kit for each meal service site. The kit includes a meal site activity guide, an activity guide for families, placemats, posters, and program flyers.

Coming Soon!

KN-CLAIM 2017 Sponsor and Site Applications will be available the week of March 15. Please let us know promptly if you will not be returning to the SFSP in 2017. We want to help assure that all areas previously served are served this year as we work to expand the program and increase access to summer meals for children in existing as well as new areas.

Sunflower Spotlight – Lane County

Thanks to overwhelming community support the collaboration between Lane County Library and the Walnut Creek Extension to bring the Summer Food Service Program to Dighton was a huge success. The Kansas Food Bank sponsored the site in Dighton at the United Methodist Church. Community organizations (including the Boys State Basketball Team) volunteered to serve meals and assist with fun activities like "Lunch and a Movie" and "Make It and Take It Snack". An innovative approach to securing donations was implemented by setting up an account at the local grocery store for community members to donate fresh fruit to the program. The site served over 800 meals in the first year of operation!

KSDE Training Portal: Online Professional Development Classes & Quick Train Tutorials

CNW staff are developing interactive online training classes and quick train tutorials that can be accessed free of charge 24/7 via the new KSDE Training Portal. The professional development classes offer a certificate upon successful completion, which can be printed. Quick train tutorials are 5 minutes or less with no quiz and no certificate. Create an account now at https://learning.ksde.org/moodle/login/index.php. For detailed instructions on creating an account and accessing the training, go to www.kn-eat.org, CACFP, What's New, KSDE Training Portal - How to Create a New User Account.

Currently, available classes and tutorials include: CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Meals, *Civil Rights Compliance in Child Nutrition Programs*, Confidentiality in Child Nutrition Programs, and Sodium Savvy. When new professional development classes and quick train tutorials are added to the KSDE Training Portal, they will be highlighted in the Monthly Update.

Grant Opportunity from Midwest Dairy Council

Healthy eating is important for all families. Midwest Dairy Council is excited to offer \$200 dairy nutrition education mini-grants for RDN's, school nutrition professionals, chefs, dietetic interns, or university extension nutritionists. This mini-grant is intended to help educate families utilizing emergency food assistance about how to incorporate dairy foods into a healthy well-balanced meal or snack to boost nutrition. The mini-grant award of \$200 must be used to educate clients and families in a food pantry and WIC setting by providing nutrition education and conducting a food demonstration preparing a low cost, minimal ingredient recipe which includes dairy as an ingredient. The presentation must be completed between June 1 and September 30, 2017. Applicants must reside in one of the following states to be eligible: Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, or South Dakota. Thirty-six mini-grants are available. Go to: https://www.surveycrest.com/s/589cbe68aa749 to learn more, apply, and make a difference in your local community. Applications are due April 1.

Cool Tools from USDA Food and Nutrition Services

Mobile Route Maker

With the Mobile Route Maker, Sponsors can identify potential summer sites for mobile feeding by identifying gaps in service in the neediest areas, plan the most efficient monitoring routes, and find routes to local food vendors. Go to <u>https://www.fns.usda.gov/mobile-route-maker</u> to access the Mobile Route Maker.

Capacity Builder

Want to explore new site locations? The Capacity Builder allows sponsors to view previous years' summer meal sites in their communities and identify areas of highest need as well as gaps in service. Sponsors can add layers to the map that shows potential site locations (multi-family housing units, libraries, museums, and schools) in areas of need. The Capacity Builder interface was recently updated to allow users to view data tables, draw on the map, search SFSP site data, and filter sites by when they are open. Go to https://www.fns.usda.gov/capacitybuilder to access the Capacity Builder.

Food 4 Thought

Harvesters in partnership with Farm Bureau are hosting community conversations about the impact of agriculture and farming on food security, food access and nutrition. Each attendee will receive a copy of the new book, *Kansas Farmer* by Scott Stebner; have a chance to meet local farmers and ranchers; and hear how Kansas Farm Bureau and Harvesters are working together to build stronger, healthier communities for seniors, families and children. Meeting dates and locations include March 1 in Topeka, March 9 in Lawrence, and March 14 in Manhattan. Register at https://www.harvesters.org/Food4Thought.

Child Nutrition & Wellness KANSANS CAN 2016-17 Best Practice Awards

The Kansas State Board of Education has a new vision: Kansas leads the world in the success of each student. This new vision for education calls for a more child focused system that provides support and resources for individual success and will require everyone to work together to make it a reality. The academic achievement and physical well-being of our students in Kansas today will impact the success of our communities, our state and the nation in the future. The good health that results from good nutrition and physical activity, and the learning that is made possible as a result, is primary among those tools.

The purpose of this program is to encourage and reward outstanding practices in Child Nutrition & Wellness Programs in Kansas that support the Kansans CAN vision. There are many outstanding child nutrition programs in Kansas. We encourage you and your staff to make nominations for outstanding and/or innovative practices for recognition of your efforts. A nomination entry form is available at <u>www.kn-eat.org</u>, SFSP, What's New. **Nominations are due to the Child Nutrition & Wellness office on or before May 31, 2017.** Winners will be notified by July 31 and presentations will be made at the August State Board of Education meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Child Nutrition & Wellness team at (785) 296-2276 if we can be of assistance with this process. We look forward to receiving your nominations and celebrating the Kansans CAN Best Practice Awards with you at the August 2017 State Board of Education Meeting.

Team Up to do One More to Build Summer Food Service Success!

Kelly, Cheryl, and Jill