

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

SFSP Reimbursement Claim Submission Deadlines

- May claim by 7/30/19
- June claim by 8/29/19
- July claim by 9/28/19
- August claim by 10/29/19

2018 SFSP Best Practice Award Winners

USD 309 Nickerson-South Hutchison has been recognized as a 2018 SFSP Best Practice Award Winner for Implementation of Local Foods. The efforts of USD 309 have made a considerable impact on the quality of meals served in the SFSP!

USD 258 Humboldt has been recognized as a 2018 SFSP Best Practice Award Winner for Volunteerism. The efforts of USD 258 and everyone in the Humboldt community are to be commended because these efforts have made a considerable impact on the SFSP in Humboldt by increasing participation and creating a pleasant and inviting meal service environment.

Lunch Across Kansas Proclamation

On Friday, June 28, Governor Laura Kelly signed a proclamation officially declaring July as Lunch Across Kansas Month! Share pictures of Lunch Across Kansas events and promotions with Kansas Appleseed by emailing Christina Ostmeyer at costmeyer@kansasappleseed.org. Kansas Appleseed will post LAK events at www.kansasappleseed.org/lunch-across-kansas.

At-Risk Afterschool Meals

Help students make the grade this coming school year by serving At-Risk Afterschool Meals to school aged children in lower income areas. Help ensure that children have access to nutritious meals and snacks for students to achieve both in and outside of the classroom. Qualified sites providing educational or enrichment activities after the end of the school day, on weekends or on holidays during the school year can receive reimbursement at the free rate for all meals/snacks that are served. For more information call 785-296-2276 and ask for Jill.

FRAC Releases 2019 Summer Meals Report

The Food Research and Action Center released its 2019 report analyzing July summer meal participation across the U.S. Read the Summer Nutrition Status Report at http://frac.org/research/resource-library/hunger-doesnt-take-a-vacation-summer-nutrition-status-report-june-2018. The report measures participation in the Summer Nutrition Programs both in absolute numbers and by comparing the number of children receiving summer meals to the number of low-income children receiving school lunch during the regular school year. The regular school year is used as a benchmark because such a high proportion of low-income children eat school lunch on regular school days.

Personnel Update

Effective August 2, Kelly Chanay, Assistant Director, will be transitioning to a part-time special projects role within the CNW team. This fall semester, Kelly will be teaching classes at Baker University and soon beginning work on a PhD. Sincere appreciation to Kelly for her outstanding work as an Assistant Director and Child Nutrition Consultant over the past 14 years for the Child Nutrition & Wellness team. Kelly's passion and leadership to increase access to Summer meals for Kansas children has resulted in increased numbers of Sponsors and Sites which has increased participation.

Jill Ladd is returning to an Assistant Director role effective August 5th. Jill and her family have moved back to Topeka. For the past two years, Jill has been working as a Grants and Project Specialist.