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Sent by listserv to SFSP Sponsors and posted at www.kn-eat.org,
Summer Food Service Program, What’s New

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Reimbursement Claim Submission Deadlines

- July claim by 9/28/19
- August claim by 10/29/19

Mountain Plains Crunch Off – Wednesday, October 16
Kansas Department of Education, Child Nutrition & Wellness is joining schools, preschools, nonprofits and local food enthusiasts in celebrating Farm to Plate Month by competing in a nine-State Crunch Off competition! Kansas is competing against the other Mountain Plains Region states (Colorado, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming) to determine who will be crowned the Mountain Plains Region Crunch Champion. Join us on Wednesday, October 16th by crunching on a fresh apple. Register your team to participate in the Crunch Off at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K8GHSSN. Each group that registers will get a link to a toolkit with books, recipes, and outreach ideas. This Crunch event encourages healthy eating, supports local agriculture and helps children and community members gain a deeper understanding of the food system.

SFSP Sites and CACFP Afterschool Meals Program Monitoring Requirements
Sponsors that operate SFSP and CACFP At-Risk Meals may follow the CACFP monitoring schedule year-round. If sponsors choose to follow the CACFP monitoring schedule year-round, one of the three annual reviews must occur during the summer to review for SFSP requirements. This review must include the review of a meal service and be unannounced. Two reviews must occur during the school year to review for CACFP requirements. At least one must include the review of a meal service and at least one must be unannounced.

Share Your Knowledge as an Afterschool Meals Champion
No Kid Hungry is seeking passionate individuals who will help to further the work of expanding access to afterschool meals through CACFP At-Risk Afterschool Meals. They will select champions from a variety of roles and organizations across the country with a strong preference for those with direct experience supporting or implementing the program on the ground. For more details on No Kid Hungry’s first-ever Afterschool Champions Cohort, including expectations, stipend, and the application, please visit http://bestpractices.nokidhungry.org/afterschool-champions or contact Carolyn Wait at cwait@strength.org. Applications are due Friday, October 11th. Kansas has many amazing Afterschool Meals Champions, so please consider applying!

What is Your Vision for Summer 2020?
The end of summer is an important time for reflection and then looking forward to the coming year. Consider holding a debrief meeting with community partners and summer stakeholders to capture important feedback and start planning early for summer 2020! No Kid Hungry Center for Best Practices has developed a toolkit to assist with creating and implementing a collaborative plan to enhance summer meals programs. For more information, go to the Wrap Up and Renew Commitment section at: https://bestpractices.nokidhungry.org/programs/summer-meals/plan-collaboratively#step-three-wrap-up--renew-commitment. We appreciate all each of you accomplished in Summer 2019 and are looking forward to working with you in Summer 2020!

Cheryl, Jill and Julie