



OKLAHOMA

STATE DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION

OSDE child nutrition programs seek summer food service sponsors

OKLAHOMA CITY (Jan. 31, 2023) – Sponsoring organizations for the 2023 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) are now being sought by the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) Child Nutrition programs.

The program provides nutritious meals at no charge to children during the summer, when school is not in session. The focus is on children from needy areas who participate in summer educational or recreational programs and for eligible children enrolled in summer camps.

Eligible sponsors include public or governmental agencies, private, nonprofit residential summer camps and private, non-profit organizations.

Children ages 18 and under may receive meals through SFSP. A person age 19 or older who has a mental or physical disability (as determined by a state or local educational agency) and who participates during the school year in a public or private non-profit school program (established for the mentally or physically disabled) is also eligible to receive meals.

Needy areas are defined as those in which half of the children are eligible for free- and reduced-price meals in school. Eligibility may also be determined by census information or individual eligibility of children. Financial assistance is given to approved sponsors to assist with the cost of obtaining, preparing and serving food as part of the program, including administrative costs.

To become a SFSP sponsor and to learn more about the required upcoming trainings, contact Dee Houston at (405) 522-4943 or dee.houston@sde.ok.gov.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
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