CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS IN CHARTER SCHOOLS





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CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- o National School Lunch Program
- o School Breakfast Program
- o Special Milk Program
- o After School Snack Program
- o Fresh Fruit/Vegetable Program
- o Summer Food Service Program
- o Seamless Summer Option
- o Child and Adult Care Food Program
- o Nutrition Education and Training Program



<u>CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS</u> FEDERAL REGULATION PROHIBITIONS

 Institutions cannot participate unless there is a PHYSICAL PLACE where meals will be served.

 Free/Reduced-Price Applications MUST NOT be distributed by institutions that DO NOT serve meals to their students. **CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS ITEMS TO THINK ABOUT...**

• All Child Nutrition Programs are voluntary.

• Does the charter want to offer meals to its students? If so, which meals?

• If meals are offered, is each site going to be selfoperating or will meals be contracted?

 How much will the charter school charge its paying students, adults, and contracted entities?

Self-Operating vs. Contract Meals

- Charter may contract with a school district participating in Child Nutrition Programs that is not under a Food Service Management Company (FSMC) contract. Federal procurement regulations <u>DO NOT</u> have to be implemented.
- Charter <u>IS NOT</u> allowed to contract with a school district that is under a FSMC contract unless the school district wants to re-bid its FSMC contract to include the charter.
- Charter may contract with a FSMC directly. Federal procurement regulations must be implemented.



PARTICIPATION REQUIRES...



- Completion and Approval of Application/ Agreement/Policy Statement
- Distribution and Approval of Free/Reduced Applications
- Participation in Direct Certification
- Issuance of free/reduced benefits to families
- Serving meals which meet requirements
- Counting meals by type and by category daily
- Record keeping requirements—Daily and Monthly
- o Numerous Reports

FUNDING

0 <u>Year #1</u>:



- Federal reimbursement for meals served and claimed for reimbursement
- Commodity allocation from Department of Human Services—Must give estimated meal counts

• <u>Year #2</u>:

- Sites are eligible to apply for After School Snack Program (Enrollment is 50% Free/Reduced eligibles in previous October.)
- Charter receives State Match funding (Based on total lunches served in previous year)
- Elementary sites are eligible to apply for Fresh Fruit/Vegetable Program.

FUNDING--CONTINUED



• <u>Year #3</u>:

- Sites are eligible to participate in Severe Need Breakfast (Second preceding year—School site serves at least 40% of its lunches to Free/Reduced students.)
- Charter is eligible to receive additional 2 cents for lunches served (Second preceding year— Charter serves 60% of its lunches to free/reduced students.)

CHILD NUTRITION FUNDING DEPOSITS



• Charters sponsored by a public school—Deposits are made directly to the charter school account.

 Charters sponsored by a university—Deposits are made to the university account.

REQUIRED RECORDS



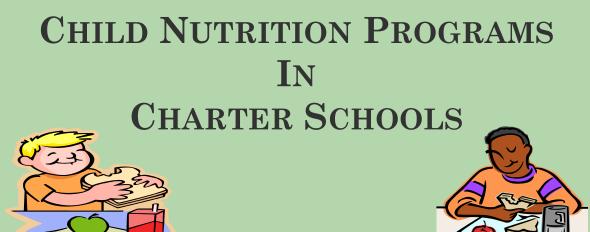
- o Renewal Application/Agreement/Policy Statement
- Documentation and rosters of eligible students
- Daily edit checks by site—Meal counts by meal type and by category (Free/Reduced/Paid)
- Daily food production records by site
- Verification Records
- Monthly claims for reimbursement
- Monthly inventory by site
- o Invoices/Receipts
- o Procurement Plan
- o Wellness Policy
- HACCP Plan

REQUIRED REPORTS



- Food Safety Inspection Report—Each site pays the Health Department \$100 per year for inspections.
- o Low Income Report
- Verification Report
- Paid Lunch Equity Report

o Non-Program Food Expenditure/Revenue Report



NEW MEAL PATTERN REQUIREMENTS:

Lunch changes: 2012-2013 AND Breakfast changes: 2013-2014

ROLE OF

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

- o Technical Assistance
 - SDE Web site: Click on "Site Index"; "C", "Child Nutrition Documents"
 - Child Nutrition Contact: 405-521-3327
- Approval Visits
- o Workshops Offered
- Review for Compliance



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