

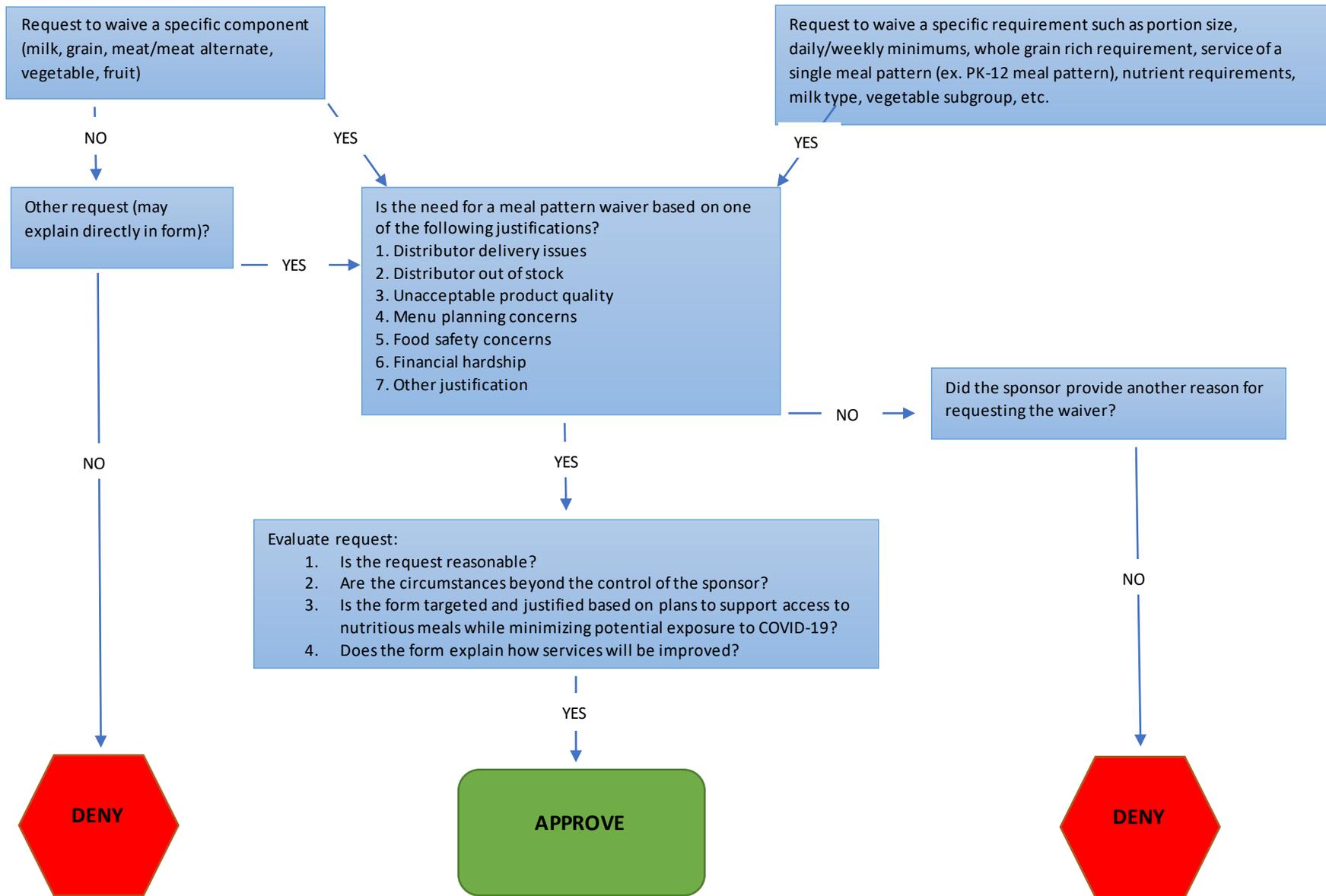
# School Year 20-21 Meal Pattern Waiver Request



The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) School Nutrition Unit received approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to allow organizations in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), Seamless Summer Option (SSO), and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) to request waivers for the meal pattern requirements during the public health emergency due to COVID-19.

The waiver is valid through each Nationwide Meal Pattern Waiver Extension provided by the USDA, or until the expiration of the federally declared public health emergency, whichever is earlier. The most up to date information on waivers can be found [here](#).

Utilize the flow chart below to assess the need for a meal pattern waiver and complete this [form](#). You will receive notification from CDE School Nutrition within two days of submission on the status of your request. If you have any questions, please contact Kerri Link at [link\\_k@cde.state.co.us](mailto:link_k@cde.state.co.us).



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*\*\*Flowchart adapted by Kansas Department of Education\*\**