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Information on New Meal Pattern Certification

Dear Districts,

We have great news for everyone! The Interim Rule, *Certification of Compliance With Meal Requirements for the National School Lunch Program Under the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010*, has been published. You can find the rule at this link: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-04-27/pdf/2012-10229.pdf>. Additionally, Q&As regarding the rule have been issued; they are attached to this email. All of this information can also be located on our website at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdenutritran/nutriReauthorization.htm>.

The Interim Rule requires each state agency to adopt a certification option and to set in place procedures regarding this. Accordingly, the CDE Office of School Nutrition will be working diligently on this process in the upcoming weeks, and as soon as we have our final guidance, we will send out further information to everyone.

Have a great weekend.