



COLORADO
Department of Education

Feeding Kids Together During COVID-19

Thursday, March 19, 2020

2:00-3:00pm

Welcome and Thank You!



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What is CDE doing?



- Mobilized team to answer calls and emails and approve applications
- Developed a streamlined Emergency Feeding application
- Developing a streamlined Emergency Feeding claim process
- Implementing communication and outreach plans
- Working closely with USDA to get questions answered
- Working with various State Agency and community partners to combine feeding efforts in communities
- Developing and submitting statewide waivers to USDA for flexibilities



- Nationwide Waiver to Allow Meal Service Time Flexibility in the Child Nutrition Programs
 - ***Approved***
- Nationwide Waiver to Allow Non-congregate Feeding in the Child Nutrition Programs
 - ***Approved***
- Nationwide Waiver of the Activity Requirement in Afterschool Care Child Nutrition Programs
 - ***Approved***
- Nationwide Meal Pattern Waiver:
 - waives requirements that meals must meet meal pattern requirements.
 - CDE will approve this waiver on a case-by-case basis.
 - ***Approved***

Nationwide and Statewide Waivers



- Nationwide Waiver to Allow Parents and Guardians to Pick Up Meals for Children
 - ***Approved***
- Nationwide Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Data Waiver:
 - ***Approved***
- Pandemic EBT:
 - Children who qualify for Free or Reduced-price meals if not for school closures are eligible to receive assistance under this provision.
 - USDA is providing guidance to state agencies on plan requirements in order to receive approval.
- Operation of SFSP or SSO by non-area eligible sponsors
 - ***Approved***

Emergency Feeding Options



- During emergencies there are two meal program options
 - Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)
 - Seamless Summer Option
- Encourage all sponsors to operate Emergency Feeding via SFSP
- Why?
 - One streamlined application and claims process for everyone
 - Simpler meal pattern
 - Higher reimbursement rate
 - School Food Authorities (SFAs) and non-profit organizations can participate

Emergency Feeding Requirements



- Emergency Feeding via the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)
- What is required?
 - Must follow SFSP meal pattern requirements

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SFSP Meal Pattern Requirements



Contact CDE if you are unable to obtain required components

Component	Breakfast	Lunch/Supper	Snack *any 2 of 4 DIFFERENT components
Milk, fluid	1 cup (8 fluid ounces)	1 cup (8 fluid ounces)	1 cup (8 fluid ounces)
Fruit/Vegetable *2 or more items	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup	$\frac{3}{4}$ cup	$\frac{3}{4}$ cup
Grain	1 slice bread 1 serving	1 slice bread 1 serving	1 slice bread 1 serving
Meat/Meat Alternate	Optional	2 ounces	1 ounce

Emergency Feeding Requirements



- What is required?
 - Sites can serve maximum of two meal types per day
 - For example, breakfast and lunch
 - Lunch and supper is not an allowable combination
 - Proper procurement
 - Contact Megan Johnson (johnson_m@cde.state.co.us) for a Vended Meals Emergency Agreement
 - Claiming
 - Track all meals served
 - Streamlined claiming process coming soon
 - Training and monitoring
 - Ensure program and food safety requirements are met

What do Sponsors need to do?



- Complete the modified application
 - Sponsor application – Submit ONE per organization
 - Site application– Sponsor submits ONE per SITE
- Promote sites to your community
 - Social media, robocalls, emails, etc.
 - Updated state-wide site list on CDE Emergency Feeding webpage





- Claiming form
 - Process for accurately counting meals
- Changes to site applications
 - Respond to your approval email from CDE indicating changes
 - For example: dates and times may change as the situation evolves

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- School Nutrition Emergency Feeding Website
 - <http://www.cde.state.co.us/nutrition/nutriemergencyfeeding>
- Local Emergency Managers
 - <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dhsem/local-emergency-managers>
- No Kid Hungry Grant
 - Emergency grants to support local school districts and nonprofit organizations in their efforts to ensure kids get the nutritious food they need
 - <https://www.nokidhungry.org/coronavirus-grant-request>
- Hunger Free Colorado Food Resources
 - <https://www.hungerfreecolorado.org/covid-19/>
- FNS Response to COVID-19
 - <https://www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/pandemic/covid-19>

Questions?