Alaska Child Nutrition Programs has been authorized to provide waivers for CACFP Sponsors to allow for meal pattern flexibility during the COVID-19. The State Agency will consider requests that are targeted and justified based upon disruptions to the availability of food products resulting from unprecedented impacts of COVID-19. Program operators are strongly encouraged to maintain and meet the nutrition standards for each Program to the greatest extent possible. Program operators electing to utilize this waiver must identify the food component(s) they are not able to meet and provide a justification why the meal pattern cannot be met. As a reminder, Federal procurement regulations at 2 CFR 200.320(f) allow procurement by noncompetitive proposals when there is a public emergency. This is a waiver of federal regulation 7 CFR 226.20.

| **Sponsor Name** |
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| Click or tab here and enter the sponsor name |

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| **Which meal pattern are you requesting a waiver for? *CACFP or NSLP (only for SD at-risk)*** |
| Choose an item. |

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| **Please describe your challenges with the meal pattern:** |
| Describe your meal pattern challenge(s) here |

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| **Which meal component/Item are you requesting flexibility?** |
| Name which meal component/item are you requesting flexibility? |

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| **What food items will you use as replacement?** |
| Name the food items you will use as replacement here. |

**The authorized representative listed below agrees to provide DEED Child Nutrition Programs A description of how this waiver resulted in improved services to program participants at the conclusion of this waiver. Failure to comply may result in the State Agency denying future waiver requests.**

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Name of Authorized Representative Date

**DEED Child Nutrition Program representative will approve below**

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Name of DEED Child Nutrition Program Representative Date