



Summer Food Service Program



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Subject: USDA Policy Memo & Information

USDA Policy Memos, Information & Implementation Memos:

1. [USDA Policy Memo SFSP 07-2012](#): Guidance on the Food Donation Program in Child Nutrition Programs

To view previous USDA policy memos, visit:

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/summer/Administration/policy.html>.

Additional Topics

- Upcoming Annual SFSP Training (*registration attached*)
- SFSP 2012 Reimbursement Rates (*attached*)
- Milk Substitution Update (*attached*)
- Save the Date: Certified Food Protection Manager Training & Cooks Training (*attached*)
- USDA SFSP 2012 Webinars

Program changes as a result of USDA Policy Memos are to be implemented immediately. Please file this bulletin for reference, guidance and compliance with the Summer Food Service Program. Feel free to call the Child Nutrition Services office if you need further clarification.

USDA Policy Memo

1. USDA Policy Memo SFSP 07-2012: Guidance on the Food Donation Program in Child Nutrition Programs

This policy memo clarifies that any program food not consumed may be donated to eligible local food banks or charitable organizations, which are defined as being exempt from tax under 501(c)(3). SFSP sponsors should adjust menu planning and production practices to reduce leftovers. However, if there are occasional leftover food, SFSP sponsors may implement a “sharing table” or transfer food to other sites. Other options may include donating to a non-profit organization, such as a community food bank, homeless shelter, or other nonprofit charitable organization.

Additional Topics

- Upcoming Annual SFSP Training (*registration attached*)

Annual training is required every year in order to be an eligible sponsor and receive reimbursement for the Summer 2012. If you have not already sent in your registration, please submit the attached registration.

☀ **Anchorage Location:** BP Energy Center, 900 E. Benson Blvd, Anchorage
 March 1, 2012 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM New Sponsors & Staff
 Returning Sponsors & Staff

☀ **Distance Delivery: New Sponsors/Staff** Call will originate from DEED, Child Nutrition Programs
 March 6, 2012 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM New Sponsors & New Staff

☀ **Distance Delivery: Returning Sponsors** Call will originate from DEED, Child Nutrition Programs
 March 7, 2012 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Returning Sponsors & Staff

- **Milk Substitution Update (*attachment*)**

Pearl Organic Soymilk has been reformulated to meet the USDA’s guidelines for Fluid Milk Substitutions in child nutrition programs. Please see attachment for nutrient analysis. Other fluid milk substitutions creditable in child nutrition programs include Pacific Ultra Soy Milk and 8th Continent Soy Milk.

- **Save the Date (*attachment*)**

Alaska Child Nutrition Programs will be offering Certified Food Protection Manager’s trainings and Cooks Trainings in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Sitka. If you are interested in sending any of your food service staff to these trainings please send in the save the date. Final registrations for the Cooks Training will be sent out in next month’s bulletin.

- **USDA SFSP 2012 Webinars**

USDA is offering several webinar sessions designed to provide a high level overview of the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). For a list of webinars and registrations, please visit: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/summer/webinar.htm>.

Calendar of Upcoming Events & Deadlines	
Letter of Intention to Operate Due	February 15th, 2012
Annual SFSP Training Registration Due	February 24th, 2012
SFSP Training-Anchorage	March 1st, 2012
SFSP Training-Distance Delivery	March 6-7th, 2012

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