

Check in with CANS

January 4, 2024, 2:30PM CT/1:30PM MT

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All Program Reminders or Updates:

- **Staff Updates:** (Mikayla)
 - Christina Lusk recently moved into the Food Distribution Program Director position, and Jordan Schumacher is stepping into the Assistant Director position previously held by Christina Lusk. Jordan will now be overseeing both CACFP and SFSP, and we are working hard to fill the open Program Specialist positions for both those programs.
- **iCAN Single Sign On Coming to iCAN Mid-January:** (Mikayla) The User ID used to log into the iCAN system will be changing in mid-January to a Single Sign On (SSO) system. The following is preparation for that change. Action is required for some iCAN users. There are different instructions based on your email address or your use of the iMATCH system, please review the following to find the correct instructions for you:
 - Users of Both iCAN and iMatch Systems: If you have already successfully completed the Single Sign-On process with iMATCH, you will use the same email login for both iMATCH and iCAN and no further action is required.
 - iCAN Users with an Email Ending in “@K12.sd.us”: All K12 emails have been automatically added to the Single Sign On system. No further action is required.
 - All Other Users: Must successfully complete the Single Sign On process. Any user that does not complete the Single Sign On process will not be able to log into iCAN once Single Sign On is added. Users still needing to complete the Single Sign-On process began receiving notification emails from CANS on December 13, 2023. It is important to carefully follow the steps in the emails to ensure that your email address is correctly added to the system prior to the change to Single Sign On in iCAN.
 - If you are unsure whether you successfully completed the Single Sign-On process or not, please reach out to CANS. Additionally, if you should have received the invitation and did not, reach out to CANS and we can work with you to ensure that you receive it.

We are working with the iCAN system vendor to finalize the date that Single Sign On will be added to iCAN. It is tentatively scheduled for January 18, 2024.

Information about the new Single Sign On: The state of South Dakota is gradually moving to a Single Sign-On for all online state systems. This move simplifies the use of systems across the state government

by standardizing the login process to a registered email address. Additionally, Single Sign-On increases the security of the system.

- **Grab and Go (aka Non-Congregate) Summer Meals in Rural Areas for Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)** (Susan)
 - [Interim final rules for the Rural Non-Congregate Summer Meals Option](#) were published December 29, 2023. USDA is accepting comments until April 29, 2024.
 - **USDA Webinar:** USDA Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) is hosting a webinar for sponsors and program operators to discuss implementation of this new option. The webinar is scheduled for **Thursday, January 11, 2024, from 1-2:30 PM (CST)**. To register for this webinar, click [[Register Here](#)].

- **Farm to School (F2S)** (Christina)
 - **NEW! F2S Crew Meeting.**
 - **Save the date: Feb. 6, 3:00pm CT (2:00pm MT)**
 - F2S Crew is a 45 minute, high paced, information packed gathering of fellow food service directors with the common goal of cultivating the exciting new frontier in our industry known as F2S. These monthly meet ups will provide information from food service directors to food service directors:
 - Engaging conversations with likeminded individuals who want to introduce local foods to their students.
 - Gain insight on how F2S could work in your nutrition program
 - Foodservice directors (just like you) sharing their insights and best practices
 - Foodservice directors (just like you) asking questions to the people in the know
 - A separate email with how to join the meeting will be sent out shortly.
 - **F2S Regional Buyer/Grower Summit—SNP and SFSP**
 - Child and Adult Nutrition Services-DOE in partnership with SDSU Extension are hosting regional buyer/grower gatherings for free (in-person) in Sioux Falls, Aberdeen, Rapid City, and virtually in February and March.
 - These evening events will provide farmers, ranchers, child nutrition professionals, and summer feeding program operators with brief training and the opportunity to learn and grow F2S in SD communities.
 - Individuals are encouraged to attend the in-person gathering nearest them
 - There is **no** charge to attend these meetups
 - Virtual session is available for those who are located far from an in-person gathering or for other reasons cannot attend
 - Time: 6:30pm-8:00pm in local time zone (beverages provided, no snacks or meal provided)
 - Event dates and locations:
 - **Sioux Falls**
 - Location: Sioux Falls Regional Extension Center, 4101 W 38th St. suite 103 Sioux Falls SD 57106
 - Feb. 12 (Snow Date: Feb. 26)
 - **Aberdeen**
 - Location: Aberdeen Regional Extension Center 13 Second Ave. SE, Aberdeen SD 57401
 - Date: Feb. 21 (Snow Date: Feb. 28)
 - **Rapid City**

- Location: Black Hills State University—Rapid City, 4300 Cheyenne Blvd, Box Elder, SD 57719
- Date: March 6 (Snow Date: March 20)
- **Virtual Meet Up**
 - Date: March 26
 - Registration will be available beginning Jan. 16. Additional information will be sent out at that time.
- **Quarterly F2S Network Call**
 - Mark your calendar for Feb. 20, 3pm CT (2pm MT)
 - To join the SD F2S Network click [here](#)
 - Agenda information coming soon!

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Reminders or Updates: (Jordan)

- **Save the date for CACFP training. More details coming soon!**
 - Sioux Falls (in-person only) - May 23, 2023
 - Pierre (in-person & online training) - May 9, 2024

School Nutrition Program (SNP) & Seamless Summer Option (SSO) Reminders or Updates:

- (Diana L.) ****Award Recognition Opportunity** Celebrate Your Nutrition Program!**
 - Action for Healthy Kids (AFHK) is offering national recognition awards to celebrate SFAs that have made significant improvements to the nutritional quality of their school meals. They will spotlight innovative practices, student and community engagement activities, and strategies schools have used to provide meals that are consistent with the 2020-2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans. AFHK is hosting this webinar to guide SFA's through the application process for this award.
 - A webinar was held on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, the recording is available on the [HMI Recognition Awards website](#).
 - Award winners receive an awardee toolkit, stipend for travel expenses to attend a Healthy Meals Summit, national recognition in monthly awards communications, a list of celebratory ideas for recognizing the SN team at the local level. The application period is now through June 30th, 2025. There is plenty of time to showcase your dedication on making an impact on children's lives at your school!!



HMI at a Glance.pdf

- **FSMC Contracts for SY2024-2025.** (Quanna) The prototype documents are under final reviews for some minor updates. Once they are available, they will be emailed directly to schools that are required to go out to contract for SY2024-25. If you have questions, contact Quanna Keyser (quanna.keyser@state.sd.us).
- (Melissa) **SAVE THE DATE! Pathways 2024** June 11-13th, 2024. SDSU Campus, Brookings, SD. More details to come.

USDA Foods in School/Food Distribution Program Reminders or Updates: (Darcy)

- **SY 2023-24 Entitlement:** South Dakota's overall Total Lunches Served decreased by almost 1.8 million meals which drastically reduced the state's overall entitlement. Entitlement has been updated in iCAN.

Many schools lost their 25% additional entitlement for DoD Fresh/FFAVORS which is reflected in iCAN. CANS sent an email out to all schools on December 4, 2023, regarding the entitlement sweep. Bonus foods will be available on the remaining orders for the 23-24 school year. Since USDA Food orders were placed a year ago, we have more food in the warehouse than entitlement remaining at schools, so that extra inventory is being offered as bonus to ensure the food is used by schools.

- **Bonus Foods:** We are asking the schools that have a net cash resource exceeding the 5-month limit to please hold off ordering from the bonus foods during the normal January open order period. This will give our smaller schools, and those with tighter operating budgets, an opportunity to order these free bonus foods.

Once the order form closes on January 16, we will review the initial bonus orders, and then reopen the January order form giving all schools the opportunity to order from the bonus foods that are still available.

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Reminders or Updates: (Jordan)

- **Save the date for SFSP training. More details coming soon!**
 - SFSP Experienced Sponsor Admin Training - Mar. 6, 2024
 - SFSP New Sponsor Admin Training – Mar. 14, 2024

Upcoming Trainings or Calls:

- Check in with CANS occur on the first Thursday of each month at 2:30pm CT/1:30 pm MT.
 - Next Check in Date: February 1. Join with this [Zoom link](#). Meeting ID: 996 4896 6220; Passcode: 870082.
- **Crash Course with CANS Live Web Training Series.** All crash course trainings take place on Thursdays at 2:30 pm CT / 1:30pm MT via Zoom. Join with this [Zoom link](#). Meeting ID: 996 4896 6220; Passcode: 870082.
 - 1/11 Prepare for Annual Survey-USDA Donated food annual survey
 - 1/25 Winter Doldrums and Menus
 - 2/8 Reducing Added Sugars
 - 2/22 Non-Congregate Meals in Summer Feeding
 - 3/21 CACFP Recordkeeping Q&A
 - 4/11 Crediting Grains in CACFP
 - 4/25 How to Write a Grant
 - 5/16 CN Final Meal Pattern Rules

You can find the full schedule on the [DOE CANS webpage](#) under the Crash Course with CANS heading.