

## Check in with CANS

**February 1, 2023, 2:30PM CT/1:30PM MT**

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### All Program Reminders or Updates:

- **iCAN Single Sign On:** Please log in to check that your Single Sign On login works properly. Common problems:
  - Forgotten password linked to the Single Sign On. Fix – reset your password.
  - It takes you to a blue page with an error message at the bottom.
    - Is the email in the error message the same as the email associated with your iCAN?
      - Clear your cache and cookies, refresh the iCAN page and try to sign in with correct email
    - Try signing in using the Google Chrome browser.
      - Use an incognito window and try signing in again.
  - Still can't sign in, give CANS a call!
  
- **Update iCAN Applications:** Has your organization had any staffing changes recently? If so, please don't forget to update the iCAN application! Making these updates informs our office to remove inactive staff's access to iCAN and helps ensure that our office communications are sent to the correct people!  
\*\*If any changes are made to the application, please don't forget to submit the application for approval so our office can approve the changes!
  
- **Grab and Go (aka Non-Congregate) Summer Meals in Rural Areas for Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)**
  - All sponsors interested in operating a Grab and Go site should contact the CANS office no later than the end of February to ensure we can approve the new sites in time for summer operations.
    - In addition, all sponsors interested in operating a grab and go will need to sign up for the in-person SFSP New Sponsor & Grab and Go Training.
  - USDA has released two new memos to clarify information on the Grab and Go meals option since the Interim Final Rule was published on 12/29/2023.
    - [Memo SFSP 04, SP06-2024](#) – to use the grab and go meals option, a sponsor must be identified as rural or fall within a rural pocket. This memo outlines the data sources that can be used to determine if a site is considered as rural.
    - [Memo SFSP 03, SP 05-2024](#) – This memo outlines the differences in the interim final rule versus previous regulations and guidance provided for summer 2023 grab and go operations.

- **Farm to School (F2S)**
  - **NEW! F2S Crew Meeting**
  - Online, inaugural meeting on Feb. 6, 3:00pm CT (2:00pm MT).
    - 45 minute, high paced, information packed gathering of food service directors
      - Mixture of those who have done F2S and those who want to do F2S
    - [Zoom Link](#), Meeting ID: 910 6750 0343, and Passcode: 136372
- **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 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 (no snacks or meal provided)
  - Event dates and locations:
    - **Sioux Falls**
      - Location: Sioux Falls Regional Extension Center, 4101 W 38<sup>th</sup> St. suite 103 Sioux Falls SD 57106
      - Feb. 12 (Snow Date: Feb. 26)
      - Register [here](#) (last day to register is noon on Feb. 7)
    - **Aberdeen**
      - Location: Aberdeen Regional Extension Center 13 Second Ave. SE, Aberdeen SD 57401
      - Date: Feb. 21 (Snow Date: Feb. 28)
      - Register [here](#) (last day to register is noon on Feb. 18)
    - **Rapid City**
      - Location: Black Hills State University—Rapid City, 4300 Cheyenne Blvd, Box Elder, SD 57719
      - Date: March 6 (Snow Date: March 20)
      - Register [here](#) (last day to register is noon on Feb. 29)
    - **Virtual Meet Up**
      - Date: March 26
      - Register [here](#) (last day to register in noon on Mar. 25)
  - Registration is open. Additional information can be found [here](#).
- **Quarterly F2S Network Call**
  - Opportunity for buyers, growers, and interested parties to learn more about F2S
  - Mark your calendar for Feb. 20, 3pm CT (2pm MT)
    - Planting the Seeds 2024
      - Beef to School Survey
      - Working with Colonies
      - Summer Feeding Program (SFSP) opportunities
      - School Field trip ideas
        - Visit a farm!

- To join the SD F2S Network click [here](#)

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

- Reminders:
  - Don't forget about annual training requirements for the new program year (October 1- Sept 30).
  - Watch CANS New for information on upcoming trainings in May.
  - National CACFP week is March 10-16, 2024

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

- **Food Service Management Company (FSMC) Contracts for SY2024-2025.** The prototype documents are under final reviews for some minor updates. 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](mailto:quanna.keyser@state.sd.us)).
- **SAVE THE DATE! 2024 Pathways to School Nutrition Success Summer Conference** is scheduled for June 11-13th, 2024 at the SDSU Campus in Brookings, SD. Sessions will offer instruction in important areas within Child Nutrition Programs. Learn ways to implement and deliver the best nutrition program in the state! Registration is free. Travel costs are allowable to your school foodservice program. More details and link for registration to come.
- **Serving Up Science – Food Safety Training Opportunity!** In collaboration with the USDA FNS Food Safety branch, the Center for Food Safety in Child Nutrition Programs at Kansas State University, will be hosting, Serving up Science: The Path to Safe Food in Schools. This one-week program is designed for nutrition professionals from local school districts and state agencies. This program will be in Manhattan, Kansas and Participants are expected to arrive on Monday June 24 and stay through noon on Friday June 28, 2024. Each state can nominate up to 5 individuals to attend this training. Nominations must be submitted to CANS no later than February 20,2024 [NOMINATION FORM](#)
- **iMatch Direct Certification System:** Email notifications of student matches should be working. Please reach out to CANS if you are not receiving a match email.
- **Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) webinar on Tuesday February 6, 2024, at 2:30 pm CST/1:30 pm MST.** This training will cover CEP and iMATCH basics along with helpful hints when applying for CEP. Join with this [Zoom link](#). Meeting ID: 996 4896 6220; Passcode: 870082.
- **USDA CEP 101 Webinar:**
  - September 26, 2023, FNS published a final rule, *Child Nutrition Programs: Community Eligibility Provision-Increasing Options for Schools*, with an effective date of October 26, 2023. The final rule lowered the minimum Identified Student Percentage (ISP) threshold from 40 percent to 25 percent. As a result, more students, households, and schools have the opportunity to experience CEP's benefits, such as increasing access to school meals at no cost, eliminating unpaid meal charges, minimizing stigma, and streamlining meal service operations. FNS is hosting webinars to provide an overview of the Community Eligibility Provision for interested School Food Authority staff.
  - Wednesday, February 21, 2024, 2:00 PM EST. Please register for the Zoom webinar [\[here\]](#)

## USDA Foods in School/Food Distribution Program Reminders or Updates:

- **March Order Form Open:** The order form for March delivery opened this morning. The order form will close at 9:00 am on Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. There are numerous bonus products available on the order form. Bonus products do not use entitlement but need to be recorded as part of your inventory. If you do not have entitlement available and would like to order processed items, contact me Darcy Beougher at [darcy.beougher@state.sd.us](mailto:darcy.beougher@state.sd.us). Processed items are state approved and have formulation statements and/or CN labels.
- **USDA Food Deliveries:** Just a reminder, USDA Foods delivery drivers do not have the authority to give away any food that has not been order by your SFA, this includes any foods that the driver deems as being “free.” The product is not free and is most likely the result of a mis-picked item and is to be delivered to another school. If offered by the driver, please kindly decline.
- **2024-2025 School Year Annual Surveys:** The annual surveys for the 24-25 school year will be opening on Wednesday, February 7 at 9:00 a.m. and close on Friday, February 23 at 9:00 a.m. The annual surveys give the state valuable school district information such as how much your district wants to spend in DoD Fresh/FFAVORS in the 24-25 school year and how many pounds you want at a processor. If your district utilizes bulk pounds, the 24-25 school year processing calculators have been added to the CANS website at this link <https://doe.sd.gov/cans/calculators.aspx>. It is important for schools to complete these surveys. If you need help completing the surveys check out the Food Distribution Manual on the CANS website here <https://doe.sd.gov/cans/documents/FDP-Manual-0623-final.pdf>.
- If you receive damaged or spoiled product from DoD Fresh/FFAVORS, contact the vendor and a DLA representative immediately. The vendor has the option to pick up the product. You can find the contact information by clicking this link <https://doe.sd.gov/cans/documents/DoD-Complaint.pdf> or by visiting the CANS FDP Website <https://doe.sd.gov/cans/fdp.aspx> under the Department of Defense (DOD) Fresh/ FFAVORS tab.

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

- **Summer 2024 SFSP Reimbursement Rates are here!** Find the updated reimbursement rates here: (<https://doe.sd.gov/cans/documents/SFSP-24-Rates.pdf>) or on the SFSP website under the Claims tab.
- **The 2024 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Administrative Training registration is now open! Please register by February 26, 2024.**  
*\*\*Registration includes SFSP banner request and the registration will also be posted on the SFSP website under the Training tab.\*\**

### Option 1: SFSP Experienced Sponsor Training

- When: Wednesday, March 6, 2024, from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM CST.
- Where: Hybrid; In-person: DOE MacKay Building (Pierre, SD) and online.
- Audience: This training is for Sponsor who successfully operated the SFSP last year without any significant issues.
- Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/g/FjUYFTevma>

### Option 2: SFSP New Sponsor & Grab and Go Training

- When: Thursday, March 14, 2024, from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM CST.
- Where: In-person; DOE MacKay Building (Pierre, SD)
- Audience: This training is for NEW Sponsors or Sponsors who had operational issues last year.
- Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/g/jB40r7y8Mt>

- **SFSP Entitlement Surveys Should Be on The Way Soon!** Please watch your emails for this program year's SFSP entitlement survey to opt in or out of receiving entitlement this year. We expect to send out the surveys sometime in early to mid-February, and they will be due back by the end of February.
- **Farm to School**
  - Farm to School is not just for school meal programs! If you're running a summer feeding program, I encourage you to include local food in your menus.
  - Attend one of the upcoming Buyer/Grower summits, in person or virtually
    - Use registration information provided under **Farm to School**
  - Join the F2S Network call
    - Use registration information provided under **Farm to School**
  - Be watching for a mailer coming early Spring 2024 about what a F2S program looks like for you
  - Contact [Janelle Peterson](#) to learn more

### 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: March 7. 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.
  - 2/8 Reducing Added Sugars
  - 2/22 Grab and Go (AKA: 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.