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The Grapevine—A Note From Cheriee

Happy Summer to all! This June, many summer feeding sites are opening in South Dakota to help fill the nutrition gap left by the end of the school year and school lunches. Each day that a summer feeding site is open and serving meals or snacks, they are listed on the summer feeding site finder so anyone in the area can find a summer feeding site that is close to them. Please help us spread the word that any child, age 18 or younger, that shows up can get a free meal or snack. There are no eligibility requirements at any open feeding site.

Families can find free feeding locations and the dates and times of meal service all summer long by using the USDA Summer Meal Site Finder tool, [http:// www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks](http://www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks). Locations can also be found by texting “Food” or “Comida” (Spanish) to 877-877, or by texting “Summer Meals” or “Verano” (Spanish) to 97779, or by calling 1-866-3-HUNGRY (1-866-348-6479), or 1-877-8-HAMBRE (Spanish) (1-877-842-6273).



Have you considered operating a summer feeding site? Please consider it for next summer. Many children go without consistent and proper nutrition during the summer months and this issue isn't limited to widespread areas of poverty – there may be a small area of need in your own community. Think about it! You can find more information on the USDA FNS website or on our website. If you are interesting, please reach out to us this winter when we begin preparing for next summer. Wishing you a bit of shade, a cool breeze, a frosty beverage, and a few moments to relax and enjoy summer.

~Cheriee Watterson

South Dakota Sponsor Spotlight!

Is your school or agency doing anything unique and interesting in your programs that you would like to share!? Do you want to be featured in our South Dakota Sponsor Spotlight segment!? Submit any pictures along with a summary of the exciting events that you're doing to DOE.SchoolLunch@state.sd.us.



Vermillion has officially started the Summer Food Service Program and they are having a blast!

Check in with CANS Monthly Conference Call

Check in with CANS is a monthly conference call scheduled at 2:30 PM CST.

This call is open to all agencies on the Child Nutrition Programs. We are planning to include information across all of our Child Nutrition Programs. Each call will start with a report from CANS with hot topics, new guidance or program clarifications, and reminders of upcoming dates. There will also be time scheduled during each call for you to ask questions. Remember, school lunch staff can use these calls toward your annual Professional Standards training requirements!

Switching from Skype to ZOOM. Please use below information.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87674981580?pwd=a3k5MWlGMmVwckhrVzFvdTBscnU5dz09>

Meeting ID: 876 7498 1580

Passcode: 685271

Dial by your location: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 876 7498 1580; Passcode: 685271

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcU8lwgv28>

SY2020-21 Check in with CANS Call Schedule

- Thursday, June 24—Special look at the iCAN review system

Pick It! Try It! Like It! Preserve It!

Clues for you on the produce we will highlight for June includes:



- It was brought to the US by Christopher Columbus.
- California, Arizona and Texas grow the majority of this crop in the United States.
- It is considered a luxury and are commonly given as a gift in Japan.
- In Australia it is referred to as "ROCKMELON"

If you guessed: Lakota-supǰéstola; English: cantaloupe, you are correct!

We feature a cantaloupe cooler and chilled cantaloupe soup as the recipes this month. If you grow this in your garden there is also information on how to freeze or dry to extend the enjoyment of this delicious produce. Go to the link below to find out more!

<https://extension.sdstate.edu/cantaloupe-pick-it-try-it-it-preserve-it>



JOIN US EVERY THURSDAY FOR

Crash Course WITH CANS

Short (30 min) learning sessions for School Nutrition Program, and Summer Food



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- 12 Planning Summer
- 10 Supper Program in
- 14 FDP Surveys: Why?!
- 28 Just Sign Here: Contracts for Interagency, FSMC, & Vendor Meals
- 4/15 Costs
- 4/29 SFSP Training
- 5/13 SSO Training
- 5/27 FDP Year End Reporting

Fast in the Classroom: What that Mean?
 Fruit & Veg Program
 to Table/Beef to School
 Community Eligibility Prov, SN
 NonProgram Food

*Changes to scheduled topics



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School Nutrition Program

School Year 2020-2021 Updates

As a reminder, the SY2020-21 iCAN applications are ready for your updates! USDA Nationwide Waivers have made SSO an option for **ALL** SFAs in School Year 2021-22. SSO provides meals to all students at no charge and provides the free rate of reimbursement for all meals served. These waivers have also allowed the higher Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) reimbursement rates to be utilized during SY2021-22.

Sponsors who wish to operate SSO in **August and September** need to update their SY 2020-21 School Nutrition Program SSO application in iCAN by **June 15, 2021**. This action allows SNP Program Specialists to approve SY2020-21 applications and roll information automatically into the SY2021-22 application. The CANS Office has created UC SSO sites by physical location for every SFA.

If your SFA has never operated SSO before, you will need to make some updates to your iCAN user security settings to work on your site application. To request a new user or make adjustments to a current user please complete the [iCAN User ID Request form](#) and follow the directions on the form for submission.

If your SFA chooses to operate normal SNP for SY21-22, you do not need to make any changes or updates to your application at this time. The CANS Office is working on the application documents and the waiver forms for SY2021-22 and will send a notification email when those are ready to go.

School Year 2020-2021 Applications

We hope to open applications for school year 2021-2022 on June 21, 2021. We are hoping that this will help reduce some of the SSO application work since information from SY20-21 SSO applications will be pulled forward into SY21-22 applications and these applications won't need to be used for claiming until October 2021.

Once the applications have been opened for SY21-22 we will send a notification email out with additional completion instructions and helpful hints and tips.

A Crash Course with CANS was held on May 13, 2021 describing the process for the upcoming school year in more detail and provides a little bit more explanation as to why the application is delayed this year. You can find a recording of this webinar and some helpful information at this [link](#) or on the [DOE CANS Webpage](#) under the Crash Course with CANS heading.

Registration is Open!

Pathways to School Nutrition 2021

Registration is now open for the second annual Pathways to School Nutrition summer training. This CANS hosted event is being offered both in-person and virtually.

Topics to be covered include:

- iCAN Application Walk-Thru
 - This training will be a walk-through of all things iCAN. This will include a look at the School Nutrition Program (SNP) and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) applications along with their respective download forms.
- Non-Program Foods
 - Learn about different types of non-program foods, the program rule, available resources, and a walk-through on how to calculate nonprogram foods.
- Professional Standards
 - Learn about annual education hours and hiring requirements for school nutrition program professionals.
- Wellness Policy
 - This training will discuss how school wellness policies promote the health of students by establishing healthy school environments.
- Procurement
 - Come with questions and concerns of your unique Procurement Plan. Learn how to craft this tool to your specific needs to make the Procurement Process work for your School Food Authority's benefit.
- Production Records
 - Learn how production records are not just a 'requirement', but are also a useful tool for menu planning and quantity production.
- Administrative Review Common Findings
 - Get prepared for your next Administrative Review by learning about the most common findings we see. Bring your questions if you have an area you struggle with!

Two training options to choose from:

<p>In-person Training: August 3, 2021 Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center</p> <p><i>Class: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm CT.</i></p> <p>** In-person training is limited to 108 participants.**</p>	<p>O R</p>	<p>Virtual Training: August 10-11, 2021 Log in via Zoom on both days to receive training on all topics covered at the live event.</p> <p><i>Class: 8:30am – 12:00p CT, 9:30 – 1:00pm MT, each day</i></p>
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For more information and to register, go to the School Nutrition Programs webpage at <https://doe.sd.gov/cans/snp.aspx>.

Child and Adult Care Food Program

No updates for this month

Summer Food Service Program

Operations Began Across SD

Regular summer program operations began across South Dakota and an important part of the Summer Food Service Program is providing activities for program success and stable program participation throughout the summer months.

USDA-FNS features sponsors on their website who, in addition to providing basic meal services, have successfully integrated quality social, recreational, or educational activities into their programs.

Please take a look at what other organizations across the country have been doing to get some good ideas for your SFSP program activity:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/sfsp-best-practices-activities>

Food Distribution Program

No updates for this month

Program Policy Memos

Some policies have multiple numbers. That means those apply to multiple programs.

Child & Adult Care Food Program

Current policies can be found at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/policy>.

School Nutrition Programs (SP Memos)

Policies that apply to school operation and administration can be found at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/policy>.

Summer Food Service Program

Policies can be found at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/policy>.

Food Distribution

Food Distribution policies can be found at https://www.fns.usda.gov/resources?f%5B0%5D=resource_type%3A160&f%5B1%5D=program%3A35

New COVID-19 Waivers

To find a current list of the waivers that South Dakota has opted in to, you can visit the [CANS webpage](#) under the "Announcements Regarding Coronavirus/COVID-19" heading. Here, you will find a chart that lists all of the current waivers South Dakota is operating under. Since the last nutrition bulletin, twelve new waivers have been released.

USDA #	Title	Program Affected	Expiration Date
85	Nationwide Waiver to Allow the Seamless Summer Option in SY2021-2022	SSO	06/30/2022
86	Nationwide Waiver to Allow the Summer Food Service Program Reimbursement Rates for SY 2021-2022	SSO	06/30/2022
87	Nationwide Waiver to Allow Non-congregate Meal Service for SY 2021-2022	NSLP, SBP, SSO,	06/30/2022
88	Nationwide Waiver of Meal Times Requirements for SY 2021-2022	NSLP, SBP, SSO,	06/30/2022
89	Nationwide Waiver to Allow Parents and Guardians to Pick Up Meals for Children for SY 2021-2022	NSLP, SBP, SSO,	06/30/2022
90	Nationwide Waiver to Allow Specific School Meal Pattern Flexibility for SY 2021-2022	NSLP, SBP, SSO	06/30/2022
91	Nationwide Waiver to Allow Specific School Meal Pattern Flexibility in the CACFP for SY 2021-2022	CACFP	06/30/2022
92	Nationwide Waiver to Allow Offer Versus Serve Flexibility for Senior High Schools in SY 2021-2022	NSLP, SSO	06/30/2022
93	Nationwide Waiver of Area Eligibility in the Afterschool Programs and for Family Day Care Home Providers in SY 2021-2022	NSLP Afterschool Snack, CACFP specific providers	06/30/2022
94	Nationwide Waiver of Onsite Monitoring Requirements in the School Meal Programs	NSLP, SBP, SSO	End of Pandemic
95	Nationwide Waiver of Onsite Monitoring Requirements for State Agencies in the CACFP	CACFP	End of Pandemic
96	Nationwide Waiver of Onsite Monitoring Requirements for Sponsors in the CACFP	CACFP	End of Pandemic

Contact CANS

For any questions, comments, or concerns

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Professional Standards Reminder: Any learning or training you receive about any aspect of the School Nutrition Programs can be counted as training time towards the professional standards annual training requirement. Reading the bulletin each month does count towards training hours.

Please retain documentation to show what topics were trained. For example, agenda, topics, handbook, certificate, etc. And record training on a Tracking Tool – we suggest using the [SD Tracker Tool](#) posted on the CANS NSLP website.

To credit training hours for time spent reading the Nutrition Bulletin, you will need to keep track of the time you spent reading and determine the applicable training codes. Appropriate documentation for this would be a copy of the bulletin signed and dated with the amount of time written on it.