



Sacramento, CA

Navigating the Child Nutrition Programs Serving Meals Year-round

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Summer Meals on the Rise

2013: 9 percent increase in Summer Meals



2014: 9 percent increase in approved Summer Meal Sites in 2014

Thank you Schools!







Summer Meals: Not Mandatory but Needed

- Summer Food (SFSP)
- Seamless (SSFO)
- Support for CBOs by Vending





- Provides for Flexibility with Meal Service Times
- Reduced Documentation (No Menu Production Records)
- Optional Pre-Approval Visits for New Districts
- Optional Training for School Districts
- Flexibility with Meal Patterns (Can use NSLP and SBP)
- <u>SFSP@cde.ca.gov</u> for Questions





Reimbursement Rate Differences: SFSP v.s. SSFO

- SFSP Rates Higher but No State Meal Money
- Seamless Rates Lower but Off-set by State Money
- Lot's of Variables to Consider
- See Handout
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Flexibilities Using the Seamless Summer Feeding Option (SSFO)

- Not a Separate Program (part of the NSLP)
- Age Grouping Flexibilities
- You can sponsor community sites
 - Libraries
 - Faith Based Organizations
 - Parks



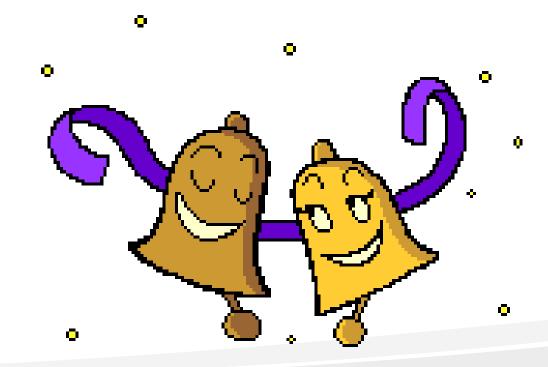
• <u>SFSP@cde.ca.gov</u> for additional technical assistance : questions welcome!)



Summer Meal Programs + the CACFP =

A perfect year-round match







Surge in At-risk Supper Participation

- 188 agencies with 2,220 sites
- 122 agencies are schools/school districts/county office of education
- Serving over 3 million suppers per month
- Over 100 million in reimbursement PER MONTH

And the applications keep coming!!





Similarities and Differences Between SFSP and CACFP At-risk Requirements

- Site Eligibility –All reimbursement is at the free rate for both programs
- Attendance Records required for CACFP; Not required for SFSP/SSFO







Streamlined Training Requirements

 Train Food Service Staff only once a year on the meal pattern

Reduce Duplicative Trainings





Reduced Monitoring Visits

- SFSP/Seamless = One monitoring visit
- CACFP = Three monitoring visits
- Year-round = Three monitoring visits, one in the summer and two during the school year. (One less monitoring visit).



It's Easy ...

- Keep attendance and meal counts
- Post the menu and Justice for All poster
- Keep records and track expenditures







• The Application process begins with a phone call. Call:

CACFP Unit
Nutrition Services Division
916-323-5755



Questions for Panel

1. What was your experience adding the At-risk Supper component of the CACFP?





Questions for Panel

2. Can you provide examples of how your school district benefits from serving year-round meals?





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3. What were the challenges you had to overcome to add the Supper program?





Year-round Meal Highlights



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