

Districts Required to Submit Lists of Foods and Beverages for Healthy Food Certification Documentation

School Year 2025-26

All districts participating in Healthy Food Certification (HFC) for the current school year under Section 10-215f of the Connecticut General Statutes must submit the online HFC Compliance Form to the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) by **November 30, 2025**.

In addition to submitting the HFC Compliance Form, the districts indicated below must also submit lists of foods and beverages available for sale to students from all sources in the district, for the current school year. This documentation includes all schools in the district and any recipient schools under interschool agreements that have agreed to participate in HFC.

Categories of Districts Required to Submit Lists of Foods and Beverages

The CSDE determines the districts required to submit lists of foods and beverages based on the three categories below.

1. Districts scheduled for an Administrative Review of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) in the current school year.
2. Districts implementing HFC for the first time this school year or returning to HFC after a year or more of discontinuation.
3. Districts with HFC compliance issues for the prior school year.

This list is subject to change pending revisions to the CSDE's Administrative Review schedule.

Sponsor number	School district or school
00800	Bethany School District
00900	Bethel School District
01200	Bolton School District
01300	Bozrah School District
01700	Bristol School District
01800	Brookfield School District
02200	Canterbury School District
03400	Danbury School District
04100	East Haddam School District
04200	East Hampton School District

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Sponsor number	School district or school
04300	East Hartford School District
04700	East Windsor School District
04800	Ellington School District
05400	Glastonbury School District
05700	Greenwich School District
06200	Hamden School District
06400	Hartford School District
06900	Killingly School District
07800	Mansfield School District
08300	Middletown School District
08500	Monroe School District
09100	New Fairfield School District
09400	Newington School District
10100	North Haven School District
11100	Plymouth School District
11900	Rocky Hill School District
12100	Salem School District
13300	Sprague School District
14100	Thompson School District
14200	Tolland School District
16000	Willington School District
16500	Windsor Locks School District
20800	Regional School District 8
21300	Regional School District 13

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What the Lists Must Include

The lists must include all foods and beverages (commercial products and foods made from scratch) sold in school cafeterias, vending machines, school stores, kiosks, concession stands, other school-based enterprises, fundraisers that do **not** meet the exemption criteria of the state HFC statute (refer to the CSDE's [Requirements for Food and Beverage Fundraisers in Public Schools Choosing HFC](#)), and any other sources of food and beverage sales to students on school premises, e.g., culinary arts programs, family and consumer sciences classes, afterschool programs, and recipient schools under interschool agreements.

- **Submit one list for the entire district for each source of food and beverages:** For example, submit one list for a la carte sales in all school cafeterias in the district and one list for foods and beverages sold from all vending machines in the district. Do not submit a separate list of items for each individual school.
- **Simplify the documentation process:** For each individual source of food and beverage sales (e.g., cafeteria, vending machines, and school stores), highlight all items sold to students in the appropriate sections of the CSDE's [List of Acceptable Food and Beverages](#) and attach to the first page of the appropriate CSDE documentation form. For example, attach the highlighted list of all items sold in cafeterias to *Form 1: Commercial Foods and Beverages Sold in School Cafeterias*.

How to Access and Submit

The link to the online HFC Compliance Form and documentation forms for submitting lists of foods and beverages are available in the "[Annual HFC Documentation](#)" section of the CSDE's HFC webpage. For specific instructions, refer to the CSDE's [Guidance for Submitting Lists of Foods and Beverages for Healthy Food Certification \(HFC\) Documentation](#).

Complete the HFC Compliance Form online. Email the lists of foods and beverages to susan.fiore@ct.gov. The submission deadline is **November 30, 2025**.

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For more information, visit the “[Annual HFC Documentation](#)” section of the CSDE’s HFC webpage or contact the [HFC coordinator](#) in the CSDE’s Bureau of Child Nutrition Programs, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 504, Hartford, CT 06103-1841. This document is available at https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/hfc/doc/districts_required_to_submit_lists_foods_beverages_hfc_documentation.pdf.

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