## Election of the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) in School Year (SY) 2023-24 beyond June 30, 2023

## Summary

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) is requesting a waiver to allow school food authorities (SFAs) in operating the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) during school year (SY) 2023-24 with an Identified Student Percentage (ISP) of at least 25 percent to opt in to the CEP after June 30, 2023.

## Waiver Request

The CSDE is seeking this waiver request to allow SFAs in good standing operating the NSLP and SBP during SY 2023-24 with an ISP of at least 25 percent to opt in to the CEP after June 30, 2023, and operate the CEP for the remainder of school year 2023-24 and beyond. USDA approval of this request will waive the requirements that 1) local educational agencies (LEAs) intending to elect the CEP in the following school year must notify the CSDE and submit ISP documentation by June 30 of the current SY; and 2) LEAs must calculate the CEP ISP using data as of April 1 of the prior school year.



This document is available in the "CSDE Waiver Requests to USDA" section of the CSDE's Current School Year Operational Updates for School Nutrition Programs webpage.

Waiver Request from the Connecticut State Department of Education to the U.S. Department of Agriculture

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