

Resources for the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns

This list includes resources and websites to assist sponsors with meeting the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) meal pattern requirements for the [Summer Food Service Program \(SFSP\)](#). For additional guidance, please contact the Connecticut State Department of Education’s (CSDE) [Summer Meals staff](#). For links to information on federal and state requirements and guidance for the SFSP, visit the CSDE’s [Program Guidance for the Summer Food Service Program](#) webpage.



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Child Nutrition (CN) Labels

Authorized Manufacturers and Labels (USDA webpage):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cnlabeling/usdausdc-authorized-labels-and-manufacturers>

Child Nutrition (CN) Labeling Manual (USDA):

<https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/child-nutrition-labeling-manual.pdf>

Child Nutrition Labels (CSDE's Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Program webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs/child-nutrition-labels>

Food Buying Guide Module 3: Product Formulation Statements (PFS) (ICN):

<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/139/fbg-module-3-product-formulation-statements-pfs>

Food Manufacturers/Industry (USDA webpage):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cnlabeling/food-manufacturersindustry>

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Documentation for Summer Meals ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingDocumentation>

USDA Memo SP 11-2015v2, CACFP 10-2015, and SFSP 13-2015: CN Labels Copied with a Watermark Acceptable Documentation:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/cn-labels-copied-watermark-acceptable-documentation>

USDA Memo SP 27-2015, CACFP 09-2015, and SFSP 12-2015: Administrative Review Process Regarding the Child Nutrition (CN) Label, Watermarked CN Label and Manufacturer's Product Formulation Statement:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/administrative-review-process-regarding-child-nutrition-cn-label>

Using Child Nutrition (CN) Labels in the Summer Food Service Program (CDSE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/cn_labels_sfsp.pdf

What's in a Meal Module 6: Meal Pattern Documentation (CSDE's Training Program, What's in a Meal: National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program Meal Patterns for Grades K-12):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/meal-pattern-training-materials>

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Crediting Documentation

Accepting Processed Product Documentation in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):
https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsp/accepting_processed_product_documentation_sfsp.pdf

Commercial Processed Products (CSDE's Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Program webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs#Commercial>

Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns: Part 1: Introduction to Crediting Foods, Summer Meals Annual Training Module ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingFoods>

Crediting Documentation for Summer Meals, Summer Meals Annual Training Module ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingDocumentation>

Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Program (CSDE webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs>

Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-foods-in-the-summer-food-service-program>

Crediting Summary Charts for the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns (CSDE):
https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsp/crediting_summary_charts_sfsp.pdf

Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs (USDA):
<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/food-buying-guide-for-child-nutrition-programs>

Foods Made from Scratch Products (CSDE's Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Programs webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs#Scratch>

Noncreditable Foods in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):
https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsp/noncreditable_foods_sfsp.pdf

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Nutrition Guide: Summer Food Service Program (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/nutrition-guide>

Standardized Recipes (CSDE's Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs/standardized-recipes>

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Documentation for Summer Meals ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingDocumentation>

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns: Part 1: Introduction to Crediting Foods ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingFoods>

Tips for Evaluating a Manufacturer's Product Formulation Statement (USDA):

<https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/manufacturerPFStipsheet.pdf>

USDA Memo SP 05-2025, CACFP 04-2025, and SFSP 02-2025: Guidance for Accepting Processed Product Documentation for Meal Pattern Requirements:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/labeling/guidance-accepting-processed-product-documentation>

Using Product Formulation Statements in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/product_formulation_statements_sfsp.pdf

Yield Study Data Form for the Child Nutrition Programs (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/nsfp/crediting/yield_study_form.pdf

Grains/Breads Component

Calculation Methods for Grains/Breads Servings in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/grain_calculation_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Breakfast Cereals in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_cereals_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Program (CSDE webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs>

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Crediting Enriched Grains in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_enriched_grains_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-foods-in-the-summer-food-service-program>

Crediting Grain-based Desserts in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_grain_based_desserts_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Grains in the Child Nutrition Programs Tip Sheets: Part 1: Creditable Grains in Child Nutrition Programs; Part 2: Identifying Grain Products that are Whole Grain-Rich; and Part 3: Program Requirements (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/crediting-grains>

Crediting Whole Grains in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_whole_grains_sfsp.pdf

Exhibit A Grains Tool (USDA Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs):

<https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/ExhibitATool/Index>

Exhibit A Grains Tool (USDA Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs):

<https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/ExhibitATool/Index>

Exhibit A: Grain Requirements for Child Nutrition Programs (USDA Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs):

<https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/Content/TablesFBG/ExhibitA.pdf>

Food Buying Guide Section 4: Overview of Crediting Requirements for the Grains Component (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/Content/TablesFBG/USDA_FBG_Section4_Grains.pdf

Food Buying Guide Section 4: Yield Table for Grains (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/files/Reports/USDA_FBG_Section4_GrainsYieldTable.pdf

Grains and Breads Component (CSDE's Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-foods-in-the-summer-food-service-program/grains-and-breads>

How to Maximize the Exhibit A Grains Tool (USDA webinar):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/how-maximize-exhibit-grains-tool>

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How to Use the Grains/Breads Servings Chart for the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/credit_how_to_use_grains_breads_servings_chart_sfsp.pdf

Nutrition Guide: Summer Food Service Program (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/nutrition-guide>

Product Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains/Breads Servings in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program, and NSLP Afterschool Snacks (USDA):

https://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/resource-files/PFS_Grains-Breads_Servings_Fillable_508.pdf

Product Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains/Breads Servings in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program, and NSLP Afterschool Snacks: Completed Sample (USDA):

https://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/resource-files/PFS_Example_Grains-Breads_Servings.pdf

Recipe Analysis Workbook (RAW) for Standardized Recipes (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/food-buying-guide-interactive-web-based-tool>

Requirements for the Grains/Breads Component of the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/component_grains_breads_sfsp.pdf

Servings for Grains/Breads in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/servings_grains_breads_sfsp.pdf

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns: Part 4: Grains/Breads Component ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingFoods>

USDA Memo SP 23-2019, CACFP 10-2019, and SFSP 09-2019: Crediting Popcorn in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/crediting-popcorn-child-nutrition-programs>

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USDA Memo SP 34-2019, CACFP 15-2019, and SFSP 15-2019: Crediting Coconut, Hominy, Corn Masa, and Masa Harina in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/crediting-coconut-hominy-corn-masa-and-masa-harina-child-nutrition-programs>

Using Product Formulation Statements in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/product_formulation_statements_sfsp.pdf

When Commercial Grain Products Require a Product Formulation Statement to Credit in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/when_commercial_grain_products_require_pfs_sfsp.pdf

Meal Modifications for Special Diets

Guidance for Meal Modifications in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/meal_modification_guidance_sfsp.pdf

Meal Modifications for Special Diets (“Meal Patterns” section of CSDE’s SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/meal-patterns#MealModifications>

Request for Meal Modifications in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/meal_modification_request_sfsp.pdf

Resource List for Special Diets in Child Nutrition Programs (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Nutrition/Resources/Resources_Special_Diets.pdf

Resources for Special Diets in Child Nutrition Programs (CSDE):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/special-diets-in-school-nutrition-programs/documents>

USDA Memo CACFP 14-2017, and SFSP 10-2017: Modifications to Accommodate Disabilities in CACFP and SFSP:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/modifications-accommodate-disabilities-cacfp-and-sfsp>

Meal Patterns

Crediting Summary Charts for the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Meal Patterns (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/crediting_summary_charts_sfsp.pdf

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How Do They Compare? Child Nutrition Programs' Meal Pattern Requirements (USDA):

<https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Nutrition/CNPMealPatternComparison.pdf>

Meal Patterns (CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/meal-patterns>

Meal Patterns SFSP (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/meal-patterns>

Noncreditable Foods in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/noncreditable_foods_sfsp.pdf

Nutrition Guide: Summer Food Service Program (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/nutrition-guide>

SFSP Meal Pattern Regulations: 7 CFR 225.16 (d) Meal service requirements (USDA):

[https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-7/part-225#p-225.16\(d\)](https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-7/part-225#p-225.16(d))

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: SFSP Meal Patterns ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#SFSPMealPatterns>

Meal Service

Administration Guide: Summer Food Service Program, Chapter 4: Meal Requirements (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/2016-administrative-guidance-sponsors>

Food Safety Requirements for Field Trip Meals in the SFSP (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/food_safety_field_trip_meals_sfsp.pdf

Meal Service for the SFSP (CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/meal-service>

Requirements for Field Trip Meals in the SFSP (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/field_trip_meals_sfsp.pdf

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Meal Service Requirements for Summer Meals ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#MealService>

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Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Offer versus Serve (OVS) for the Summer Food Service Program ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/meal-service#OVS>

USDA Memo SP 10-2017 and SFSP 06-2017: Meal Service Requirements in the Summer Meal Programs, with Questions and Answers – Revised:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/meal-service-requirements-summer-meal-programs-questions-and-answers-revised>

Meats/Meat Alternates Component

Additional Meat/Meat Alternates Options for CNPs: Crediting Tempeh and Surimi (USDA webinar):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/additional-meat-meat-alternate-tempeh-and-surimi>

Crediting Beans, Peas, and Lentils in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/nsfp/crediting/credit_beans_peas_lentils_snp.pdf

Crediting Commercial Meat/Meat Alternate Products in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_commercial_mma_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Deli Meats in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_deli_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-foods-in-the-summer-food-service-program>

Crediting Meats/Meat Alternates in the Child Nutrition Programs Tip Sheet (USDA):

https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/MMA_TipSheet.pdf

Crediting Nuts and Seeds in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_nuts_seeds_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Yogurt in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_yogurt_sfsp.pdf

Food Buying Guide Section 1: Overview of Crediting Requirements for the Meat/Meat Alternates Component (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/Content/TablesFBG/USDA_FBG_Section1_MeatsAndMeatAlternates.pdf

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Food Buying Guide Section 1: Yield Table for Meat/Meat Alternates (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/files/Reports/USDA_FBG_Section1_MeatsAndMeatAlternatesYieldTable.pdf

Meats and Meat Alternates Component (CSDE's Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-foods-in-the-summer-food-service-program/meats-and-meat-alternates>

Moving Forward: Update on Food Crediting in Child Nutrition Programs with Guidance for Dried Meat Products (USDA webinar):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/moving-forward-update-food-crediting-dried-meat-products>

Product Formulation Statement (Product Analysis) for Meat/Meat Alternate (M/MA) Products in Child Nutrition Programs (USDA):

https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/PFS_Meats-Meat_Alternates_Fillable_508.pdf

Questions and Answers on Alternate Protein Products (APP) (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/labeling/qas-app>

Requirements for Alternate Protein Products in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/app_requirements_sfsp.pdf

Requirements for the Meat/Meat Alternates Component of the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/component_mma_sfsp.pdf

Reviewer's Checklist for Evaluating Manufacturer Product Formulation Statements for Meat/Meat Alternates (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/reviewer%E2%80%99s-checklist-evaluating-manufacturer-product-formulation-statements-product-analysis>

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns: Part 3: Meats/Meat Alternates Component ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingFoods>

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USDA Memo SP 02-2024, CACFP 02-2024, and SFSP 02-2024: Revised: Crediting Tofu and Soy Yogurt Products in the School Meals Programs, Child and Adult Care Food Program, and Summer Food Service Program

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/crediting-tofu-and-soy-yogurt-products-school-meal-programs-and-cacfp>

USDA Memo SP 21-2019, CACFP 08-2019, and SFSP 07-2019: Crediting Shelf-Stable, Dried and Semi-Dried Meat, Poultry, and Seafood Products in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/crediting-shelf-stable-dried-and-semi-dried-meat-poultry-and-seafood-products-child-nutrition>

USDA Memo SP 24-2019, CACFP 11-2019, and SFSP 10-2019: Crediting Surimi Seafood in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/crediting-surimi-seafood-child-nutrition-programs>

USDA Memo SP 25-2019, CACFP 12-2019, and SFSP 11-2019: Crediting Tempeh in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/crediting-tempeh-child-nutrition-programs>

USDA Memo SP 26-2019, CACFP 13-2019, and SFSP 12-2019: Crediting Pasta Products Made of Vegetable Flour in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/crediting-pasta-products-made-vegetable-flour-child-nutrition-programs>

USDA Memo SP 40-2019, CACFP 17-2019, and SFSP 17-2019: Smoothies Offered in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/smoothies-offered-child-nutrition-programs>

Menu Forms

Breakfast Menu Form for the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/menu_form_sfsp_breakfast.docx

Lunch/Supper Menu Form for the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/menu_form_sfsp_lunch_super.docx

Menu Forms ("Menu Planning" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/menu-planning#MenuForms>

Snack Menu Form for the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/menu_form_sfsp_snack.docx

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Menu Planning

Choking Prevention (CSDE's Food Safety for Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/food-safety-for-child-nutrition-programs/choking-prevention>

Cycle Menus (CSDE's Menu Planning for Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/menu-planning/cycle-menus>

Farm to Summer ("Menu Planning" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/menu-planning#FarmSummer>

Menu Planning (CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/menu-planning>

Menu Planning for Child Nutrition Programs (CSDE webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/menu-planning>

Noncreditable Foods in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/noncreditable_foods_sfsp.pdf

Portion Control (CSDE's Menu Planning for Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/menu-planning/portion-control>

Sample SFSP Menus ("Menu Planning" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/menu-planning#Menus>

Milk Component

Chill Out with Cold Milk (New England Dairy webpage):

<https://www.newenglanddairy.com/school-meals/keep-milk-cold/>

Crediting Fluid Milk in the Child Nutrition Programs Tip Sheet (USDA)

<http://https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/crediting-milk-child-nutrition-programs-tip-sheet>

Crediting Smoothies in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_smoothies_sfsp.pdf

Food Buying Guide Section 5: Overview of Crediting Requirements for the Milk Component (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/Content/TablesFBG/USDA_FBG_Section5_Milk.pdf

Food Buying Guide Section 5: Yield Table for Milk (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/files/Reports/USDA_FBG_Section5_MilkYieldTable.pdf

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Milk Component (CSDE's Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-foods-in-the-summer-food-service-program/milk>

Milk Quality Checklist (U.S. Dairy):
<https://www.usdairy.com/news-articles/milk-quality-check-list>

Requirements for the Milk Component of the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns (CSDE):
https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/component_milk_sfsp.pdf

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns: Part 2: Milk Component ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingFoods>

USDA Memo SP 07-2010, CACFP 04-2010, and SFSP 05-2010: Questions and Answers: Fluid Milk Substitutions (*Applies only to schools that participate in the SFSP*):
<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/qas-milk-substitution-children-medical-or-special-dietary-needs>

Offer versus Serve (OVS)

Offer versus Serve (OVS) ("Meal Service" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage)
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/meal-service#OVS>

Guide to Offer versus Serve (OVS) in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) (CSDE):
https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/guide_ovs_sfsp.pdf

Offer versus Serve (OVS) for the Summer Food Service Program, Summer Meals Annual Training Module ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):
<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#OVS>

Product Formulation Statements

Food Buying Guide Module 3: Product Formulation Statements (PFS) (ICN):
<https://theicn.docebosaas.com/learn/course/external/view/elearning/139/fbg-module-3-product-formulation-statements-pfs>

Manufacturer's Product Formulation Statement: Is it Acceptable? (ICN and USDA):
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xtUo70IP9cc>

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Manufacturer's Product Formulation Statement: Is it Acceptable? Presentation Slides (ICN and USDA):

<https://theicn.org/resources/930/march-2016/109876/manufacturers-product-formulation-statement-pfs03-31-16.pdf>

Product Formulation Statement (Product Analysis) for Meat/Meat Alternate (M/MA) Products in Child Nutrition Programs (USDA):

https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/PFS_Meats-Meat_Alternates_Fillable_508.pdf

Product Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains/Breads Servings in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program, and NSLP Afterschool Snacks: Completed Sample (USDA):

https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/PFS_Grains-Breads_Servings_Fillable_508.pdf

Product Formulation Statement for Documenting Vegetables and Fruits in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program, and NSLP Afterschool Snacks (USDA):

https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/PFS_Total_Veg_Fruits_Fillable_508.pdf

Product Formulation Statements (CSDE's Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs/product-formulation-statements>

Reviewer's Checklist for Evaluating Manufacturer Product Formulation Statements for Meat/Meat Alternates (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/reviewer%E2%80%99s-checklist-evaluating-manufacturer-product-formulation-statements-product-analysis>

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Documentation for Summer Meals ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingDocumentation>

Tips for Evaluating a Manufacturer's Product Formulation Statement (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/labeling/tips-evaluating-pfs>

Using Product Formulation Statements in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/product_formulation_statements_sfsp.pdf

Resources for the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns

What's in a Meal Module 6: Meal Pattern Documentation, Part B – Crediting Commercial Processed Products (CSDE's Training Program, What's in a Meal: National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program Meal Patterns for Grades K-12):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/meal-pattern-training-materials>

When Commercial Grain Products Require a Product Formulation Statement to Credit in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/when_commercial_grain_products_require_pfs_sfsp.pdf

Production Records

Production Records ("Menu Planning" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/menu-planning#ProductionRecords>

SFSP Production Record (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/production_record_sfsp.docx

Using Production Records in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/mealpattern/production_records_sfsp.pdf

Standardized Recipes

Portion Control (CSDE's Menu Planning for Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/menu-planning/portion-control>

Recipes for Child Nutrition Programs (CSDE's Menu Planning for Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/menu-planning/recipes-for-child-nutrition-programs>

Standardized Recipe Form for the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/standardized_recipe_form_sfsp.docx

Standardized Recipes (CSDE's Crediting Documentation for the Child Nutrition Programs webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-documentation-for-the-child-nutrition-programs/standardized-recipes>

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Vegetables/Fruits Component

Crediting Beans, Peas, and Lentils in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/nsfp/crediting/credit_beans_peas_lentils_snp.pdf

Crediting Fruits in the Child Nutrition Programs Tip Sheet (USDA):

<http://https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/crediting-fruits-child-nutrition-programs-tip-sheet>

Crediting Juice in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_juice_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Smoothies in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_smoothies_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Soups in the Summer Food Service Program (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsfp/credit_soups_sfsp.pdf

Crediting Vegetables in Child Nutrition Programs Tip Sheet (USDA):

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/crediting-vegetables-child-nutrition-programs-tip-sheet>

Food Buying Guide Section 2: Overview of Crediting Requirements for the Vegetables Component (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/Content/TablesFBG/USDA_FBG_Section2_Vegetables.pdf

Food Buying Guide Section 2: Yield Table for Vegetables (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/files/Reports/USDA_FBG_Section2_VegetablesYieldTable.pdf

Food Buying Guide Section 3: Overview of Crediting Requirements for the Fruits Component (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/Content/TablesFBG/USDA_FBG_Section3_Fruits.pdf

Food Buying Guide Section 3: Yield Table for Fruits (USDA):

https://foodbuyingguide.fns.usda.gov/files/Reports/USDA_FBG_Section3_FruitsYieldTable.pdf

Product Formulation Statement for Documenting Vegetables and Fruits in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program, and NSLP Afterschool Snacks (USDA):

https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/PFS_Total_Veg_Fruits_Fillable_508.pdf

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Requirements for the Vegetables/Fruits Component of the SFSP Meal Patterns (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/sfsp/creditingfsp/component_vegetables_fruits_sfsp.pdf

Summer Meals Annual Training Module: Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program Meal Patterns: Part 5: Vegetables/Fruits Component ("Annual Training" section of CSDE's SFSP webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/summer-food-service-program/annual-training#CreditingFoods>

USDA Memo SP 26-2019, CACFP 13-2019, and SFSP 12-2019: Crediting Pasta Products Made of Vegetable Flour in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/crediting-pasta-products-made-vegetable-flour-child-nutrition-programs>

USDA Memo SP 40-2019, CACFP 17-2019, and SFSP 17-2019: Smoothies Offered in the Child Nutrition Programs:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/smoothies-offered-child-nutrition-programs>

Vegetables/Fruits Component (CSDE's Crediting Foods in the Summer Food Service Program webpage):

<https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/crediting-foods-in-the-summer-food-service-program/vegetables-and-fruits>

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For more information, visit the “[SFSP Meal Patterns](#)” section of the CSDE’s SFSP webpage and the CSDE’s [Crediting Foods in the SFSP](#) webpage or contact the [Summer Meals staff](#) at the Connecticut State Department of Education, 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/sfsp/mealpattern/resources_sfsp_meal_patterns.pdf.

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