

## The School Lunch Tray: May 25, 2022

Dear School Sponsors of Child Nutrition Programs:

The School Lunch Tray contains the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) weekly email notifications for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) school nutrition programs. This week's topics are listed below.

### **Action Items**

- None

### **Need to Know**

- Summer Meals Training Materials and Remaining Trainings for June 2022
- Reminder: Table Talk Tomorrow, Thursday, May 26, 2022
- Resource Roundup: USDA's Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Capacity Builder

### **Good to Know**

- Resources to Celebrate MyPlate's Birthday

Please review and share with appropriate staff members. For previous versions of the School Lunch Tray, visit the CSDE's [School Lunch Tray and Table Talk](#) webpage.



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## Need to Know

### Summer Meals Training Materials and Remaining Trainings for June 2022

The slides, recordings, and transcripts for the 2022 Connecticut Summer Meals training webinars are posted on the CSDE's [Summer Food Service Program \(SFSP\)](#) webpage. Sponsor of the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) would especially benefit from the following trainings:

- Area Eligibility on April 7, 2022
- USDA Foods, Local Foods, and Food Safety on May 5, 2022

Two more trainings will be offered with valuable topics for SSO sponsors:

- Summer Meals Outreach, June 2, 2022, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- Summer Meals Program Flexibilities (Waivers), June 16, 2022, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Use the Teams link below to attend the training.

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For questions about Summer Meals Training, please contact [caroline.cooke@ct.gov](mailto:caroline.cooke@ct.gov).

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### Reminder: Table Talk Tomorrow, Thursday, May 26, 2022

Join the CSDE's school nutrition programs staff for Table Talk on May 26, 2022, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Table Talk will review pertinent information from the School Lunch Tray newsletters for May 18 and 25. To submit questions in advance, visit

[https://sdect.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_5px5YKVBdQNQZDo](https://sdect.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5px5YKVBdQNQZDo).

Registration is not required. Please use the link below to join Table Talk on Microsoft Teams.

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### **Resource Roundup: Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Capacity Builder**

The USDA's [Capacity Builder Map](#) allows users to visualize “layers” of information, such as underserved areas, and identify locations for new sites. Users can find their nearest potential community partners such as multi-family housing units, libraries, faith-based institutions, military bases, schools and more. The Capacity Builder is a powerful tool for state agencies and sponsors to evaluate the previous summer's performance and plan for the next summer.

### **Good to Know**

#### **Resources to Celebrate MyPlate's Birthday**

June is MyPlate's 11th birthday and to celebrate the USDA invites you to discover healthy eating and budget savvy tips and tricks for warmer weather. Visit <https://www.myplate.gov/birthday> and check out #MyPlateBirthday on social media to follow along as the USDA highlights 11 ways to get involved in the summertime celebration.

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For more information, visit the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) [School Lunch Tray and Table Talk](#) webpage, or contact the [school nutrition programs staff](#) at the Connecticut State Department of Education, School Health, Nutrition and Family Services, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 504, Hartford, CT 06103-1841.

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