

The School Lunch Tray: July 5, 2023

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

- Operational Memorandum No. 15-23: Healthy Food Certification (HFC) Payment for School Year (SY) 2022-23
- Updated Crediting Summary Charts for the School Nutrition Programs for SY 2023-23
- Resource Roundup: Summer Meal Site Locator Map

Good to Know

- None

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

Operational Memorandum No. 15-23: Healthy Food Certification (HFC) Payment for School Year (SY) 2022-23

The CSDE's recently released [Operational Memorandum No. 15-23](#) indicates the calculation criteria for the HFC payments for SY 2022-23. This memorandum also includes a list of school food authorities that qualify for the HFC payment for SY 2022-23.

Updated Crediting Summary Charts for the School Nutrition Programs for SY 2023-23

The CSDE's crediting summary charts for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), Afterschool Snack Program (ASP) are updated for SY 2023-24.

- **ASP for grades K-12:** [Crediting Summary Charts for the ASP Meal Pattern for Grades K-12](#)
- **NSLP and SBP for grades K-12:** [Crediting Summary Charts for the Meal Patterns for Grades K-12 in the School Nutrition Programs](#)
- **NSLP, SBP, and ASP for preschoolers:** [Crediting Summary Charts for the Preschool Meal Patterns of the School Nutrition Programs](#)

These documents include an overview chart of the crediting and documentation requirements and individual charts that summarize the crediting requirements and methods for each meal pattern component.

Resource Roundup: Summer Meals Site Locator Map

As a reminder, schools participating in the NSLP are required to conduct summer meals outreach before the end of the school year. One way to do this is by linking the [Meal Site Locator Map](#) on your school or district website. This map is sponsored by End Hunger CT! and helps families find information regarding meal sites located in their area.



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, Bureau of Child Nutrition Programs, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 504, Hartford, CT 06103-1841.

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