Preschool Meal Pattern Training for the School Nutrition Programs

Resource List for Module 2: Preschool Meal Patterns

This document contains the resources for module 2 of the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) Preschool Meal Pattern Training for the School Nutrition Programs.

CACFP Best Practices (USDA webpage):

https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/cacfp/program-operator/best-practices

County Assignments for School Nutrition Programs (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/cnstaff/countyassign.pdf

Crediting Guide for the School Nutrition Programs (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/mpg/guide_crediting_snp.pdf

Crediting Summary Charts for the Meal Patterns for the School Nutrition Programs (CSDE): https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/nslp/crediting/crediting_summary_charts_snp.pdf

Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Documents & Resources (USDA): https://www.fns.usda.gov/resources

Guide to the Preschool Meal Patterns for the School Nutrition Programs (CSDE) https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/nslp/preschool/guide_preschool_meal_patterns_snp.pdf

Laws and Regulations for Child Nutrition Programs (CSDE webpage): https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/laws-and-regulations-for-child-nutrition-programs

Meal Pattern and Crediting Resources for the School Nutrition Programs (CSDE): https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/nslp/crediting/resources_school_meal_patterns_snp.pdf

Meal Patterns for Preschoolers in School Nutrition Programs (CSDE webpage): https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/meal-patterns-preschoolers-in-school-nutrition-programs

Menu Planning Guidance Series (CSDE's Meal Patterns for Preschoolers in School Nutrition Programs webpage):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/meal-patterns-preschoolers-in-school-nutrition-programs #MenuPlanningGuidanceSeries

Offer versus Serve for School Nutrition Programs (CSDE):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/offer-versus-serve-for-school-nutrition-programs

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Operational Memoranda for School Nutrition Programs (CSDE webpage): https://portal.ct.gov/sde/lists/operational-memoranda-for-school-nutrition-programs

Preschool Meal Pattern Training for the School Nutrition Programs (CSDE's Meal Patterns for Preschoolers in School Nutrition Programs webpage):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/meal-patterns-preschoolers-in-school-nutrition-programs/preschool-meal-pattern-training

Program Guidance for School Nutrition Programs (CSDE webpage): https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/program-guidance-school-nutrition-programs

Serving Meat and Meat Alternates at Breakfast (USDA webpage): https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/serving-meats-and-meat-alternates-breakfast-cacfp

Serving School Meals to Preschoolers (USDA): https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/serving-school-meals-preschoolers

Summary of Final Rule Updates to the Meal Patterns for the School Nutrition Programs (CSDE): https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sde/nutrition/nslp/mealpattern/summary_final_rule_snp_meal_patterns.pdf

Upcoming Meal Pattern Changes (CSDE's Meal Patterns for Grades K-12 in School Nutrition Programs webpage):

https://portal.ct.gov/sde/nutrition/meal-patterns-school-nutrition-programs #Upcoming_Meal_Pattern_Changes

USDA Afterschool Snack Program (ASP) Regulations 7 CFR 210.10(o)(3): https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-7/part-210#p-210.10(o)(3)

USDA Final Rule: CACFP Meal Pattern Revisions Related to the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010:

https://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/fr-042516

USDA Final Rule: Child Nutrition Programs: Revisions to Meal Patterns Consistent with the 2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans:

https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/fr-042524

USDA National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Regulations 7 CFR 210.10(p): https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-7/part-210#p-210.10(p)

USDA School Breakfast Program (SBP) Regulations 7 CFR 220.8(o): https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-7/part-220#p-220.8(o)

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The CSDE's Preschool Meal Pattern Training for the School Nutrition Programs is a series of recorded modules that provide comprehensive guidance on complying with the preschool meal patterns for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), Afterschool Snack Program (ASP) of the NSLP, and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) of the NSLP.

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