

School Food Services News

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LEAs receive 6 cent certification approval

The 6 cent certification documents continue to be processed by School Food Services staff. At the time of this newsletter 341 LEAs have submitted certification documents with 282 LEAs approved and receiving their additional 6 cents per each lunch meal. The remaining 59 LEAs are in the process of being reviewed by SFS staff.

Tips for Submitting Certification Documents

1. Menus must be for the month of submission or the month prior.
2. Breakfast documentation –
 - a. NSMP – submit nutritional analysis and menu
 - b. FBMP – submit certification worksheet and menu
3. Upload menus and worksheets/nutritional analysis documents prior to attestation statement
4. After all documents are uploaded, return to the application packet page and submit the documents.
5. SFS will contact document preparer by either email or phone if there are questions regarding the documents submitted.

Validation Reviews

Each month 25% of approved LEAs are selected for a validation reviews. A list of LEAs selected for validation review is available at www.dese.mo.gov/divadm/food - select 6 cent resources on the right hand of the screen. SFS has contracted with CNResources to do a portion of the reviews. SFS and CNResources will be conducting reviews in all areas

6 Cent Certification – Mandatory for LEAs

Local Education Agencies (LEAs) do not have the option to opt out of the 6 cent certification process. LEAs may be certified during the 2012-2013 school year or the 2013-2014 school year. The additional 6 cent reimbursement will begin once the LEA is certified. LEAs submitting documents for certification during 2012-2013 will demonstrate compliance with the new meal pattern for lunch and compliance with nutrient standard menu planning or traditional food based menu planning for breakfast. LEAs submitting documents for certification during 2013-2014 school year will demonstrate compliance with the new meal pattern for lunch and the new meal pattern

6 Cent Certification Trainings

DESE, School Food Services, are hosting 10 trainings throughout the state during the month of February, with 128 LEAs registered to attend. During this training LEAs will enter their menu documentation into the excel spreadsheet and submit to DESE, SFS before the end of the training day. Additional trainings will be conducted during the month of March at various locations throughout the state. Watch for additional email notifications and the "mailbag" at www.dese.mo.gov/divadm/food.

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