



REAUTHORIZATION 2010

Healthy Hunger – Free Kids Act of 2010

Summer 2011

Missouri Department
of Elementary and Secondary Education

Healthy Hunger Free Act 2010

The Federal Child Nutrition Program includes the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, Summer Food Program, After School Snack and Meal Program, and the Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

These programs help more than 31 million low-income children every year to access healthy, nutritious food.



Healthy Hunger Free Act 2010

- The Healthy Hunger Free Act represents a step forward by making available an additional \$4.5 billion in funding over the next 10 years to:
 - Reduce childhood hunger
 - Promote childhood health
 - Reduce childhood obesity
 - Improve and simplify existing Child Nutrition programs



Response to Healthy Hunger Free Act

“For many children from low income homes, food from child nutrition programs may provide the bulk of the nutrition they receive during the day, children have no choice in their family’s circumstances and these meals are critical to their chance for success and better health.”

-US Senator Richard Lugar



Steps to Implementation

- Step 1
 - Implementation Memo and memo is released
 - Feedback is often requested
- Step 2
 - Proposed Rule is published
 - Question and Answers are released
- Step 3
 - Final Rule is published
 - Date for compliance is set



Direct Certification (Section 101)

- To challenge States to move closer to full performance in directly certifying eligible food stamp children for free school meals
- Schools must update information 3 times a year
 - July
 - October
 - January
- Must be implemented this year 2011-2012



Direct Certification

- Benchmarks:

SY 2011-12	SY 2012-13	SY 2013-14	Future SYs
≥80%	≥90%	≥95%	≥95%

- Each fall, beginning 2012, FNS will notify States that did not meet required benchmark for previous school year
 - Currently working with a planning grant
 - Missouri applied for a implementation grant
 - Completely changing process:
 - Tying into MOSIS program
 - Other states update daily/weekly
- **Remember, use and count students on direct certification first. It trumps all other approval methods**



Categorical Eligibility of Foster Children (Section 102)



Extend categorical eligibility to any foster child whose care and placement is the responsibility of the State or who is placed by a court with a caretaker household



Foster Children Overview



- ❑ Schools will be able to contact Missouri Social Services Children Division for verification
- ❑ A foster child is categorically eligible and may be certified without an application
- ❑ The presence of a foster child does not convey eligibility of free meals to other children in the household.



Foster Children Implementation

- Effective October 1, 2010
- LEAs and other child nutrition institutions must implement as soon as possible for any foster children identified by foster agencies or who submit new applications
- Next year's prototype application has been changed



Privacy Protection (Section 301)



- We updated the prototype application for SY 2011-2012
 - Only the last four digits of the signing adult's Social Security Number is required
 - Removes collection of SSN for verification



Independent Review of Applications (section 304)

Requires LEAs that demonstrate high levels of, or a high risk for, administrative error to have an additional independent review before sending out household notifications

- Establishes annual reporting requirements
- State agencies report results to USDA
- We currently do not have much guidance



Independent Review Timeline

- Implementation Memo: Winter 2012
- Final rule: Winter 2013



Professional Standards for School Food Service Personnel (Section 306)

- Requires USDA to establish:
 - Program of required education, training, and certification for all school food service directors
 - Criteria and standards for the selection of State directors
 - Required training and certification for local school food service personnel



Professional Standards Timeline

- Currently establishing action plan and committee to recommend appropriate standards
 - Using SNA as guidance model
 - Establishing different levels
 - Size of school dist, etc...
- Proposed Rule in Fall 2012
- Final Rule in Fall 2013



Compliance/ Certification for New School Meal Patterns (Section 201)

Designed to align the new meal requirements with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans

Performance based model is proposed



Meal Pattern Overview

USDA webinar on proposed rule:

www.fns.usda.gov/multimedia/webinars/proposed_rule_sessionnoQA_011911.wmv

- Proposed Rule: Nutrition Standards in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs
 - Jan 13, 2011; Federal Register (76 FR 2494)
 - 90 day comment period 1/13/11 to 4/13/11



Proposed Meal Pattern Changes



- Traditional food-based menu planning only
- Same age/grade groups for planning lunches and breakfasts
- Fruits and vegetables offered as two separate food components
- Must offer a daily serving of fruit at breakfast and lunch
- Must offer a daily serving of vegetable at lunch
- A weekly requirement of vegetables subgroups



Vegetable Subgroups

- A weekly serving of vegetable subgroups:
 - ½ cup dark green vegetables
(e.g., broccoli, collard greens, spinach)
 - ½ cup orange vegetables
(e.g., carrots, sweet potatoes, winter squash)
 - ½ cup legumes
(e.g., kidney beans, lentils, chickpeas)
 - 1 cup MAX starchy vegetables
(e.g., corn, green peas, white potatoes)
 - 1 ¼ to 2 ½ cups other vegetables
(e.g., tomatoes, onions, green beans)



Proposed Meal Pattern Changes

- At least half of the grains offered during the school week must be whole grain
- Can only offer Fat free or 1% milk
 - Flavored can only be fat free
 - 1% can only be unflavored
- Offer vs. Serve will still be 3 of 5 items, but one item has to be a fruit and/or vegetable



Proposed Meal Pattern Changes



- Calories will have both minimum and maximum levels
- 25-35% total fat of calories
- Significant reductions in sodium
 - to be implemented in 10 years
- Zero grams of trans fat per serving
- Schools will not be required to conduct a nutrient analysis of school meals
 - State Agencies to assess compliance with the meal pattern



Meal Pattern Timeline

- Currently analyzing public comments on proposed rule
 - SFS provided feedback about portion sizes, starchy vegetables, etc...
- Implementing rule Fall 2012 -2013



Fluid Milk (section 202)



Courtesy of Reuters

- New Standards for 2011-2012 school year
- Requires schools to offer a variety of fluid milk consistent with the Dietary Guidelines
- Schools must serve fat-free and 1% milk only
 - Can offer flavored and unflavored



Certification of Compliance with Meal Pattern Requirements (section 201)

- Provides standards for State Agencies to certify that schools are in compliance with new meal pattern regulation and eligible for an additional 6 cents per lunch
- Proposed rule to be released in Spring 2012
- Final Rule in Spring 2014



Reporting and Notification of School Performance (section 207)



- All school districts will be reviewed on a 3 year cycle (current is 5 years)
- Requires schools to post review final findings and make findings available to the public
- Proposed rule to be released in Spring 2012



Equity in School Lunch Pricing (section 205)

- To ensure that sufficient funds are provided to the food service account for paid lunches
- Schools will compare the average price for paid lunches to the difference between the federal reimbursement lunches



Equity in School Lunch Pricing

- New guidance released June 2011
 - Question and answers released based on inquiries from State Agencies and SFAs
 - Step by step instructions on -
 - How to determine the SFA's average price for paid lunches
 - How to compare the average price rates with the free reimbursement rates and to determine if increases are needed

USDA created an excel spreadsheet used to determine the current average price for paid lunches and the new average paid lunch price requirement



Equity Lunch Pricing Tool

□ Current Weighted Average Price Calculator

Enter current prices and number of lunches sold at each price using October 2010 data

School	Monthly # of Paid Lunches	Paid Lunch Price	Monthly Revenue	Current Weighted Average Price
Elem	100	\$1.00	\$100.00	
Middle	150	\$1.50	\$300.00	
High	200	\$2.00	\$300.00	
total	450		\$700.00	\$1.56

New Average Price Requirement (not down to nearest 5 cents)	New Average Price Requirement (rounded down to nearest 5 cents)
$1.56 \times 1.0314 = \$1.61$	\$1.60



Equity in School Lunch Timeline

- Lunch prices must be evaluated for the 2011-2012 school year
- This will need to be completed on a yearly basis



Revenue from Non-program Foods Sold in Schools (Section 206)



- To ensure that sufficient funds are provided to the food service account for foods sold in schools outside of the reimbursable meals
- To be implemented July 1, 2011



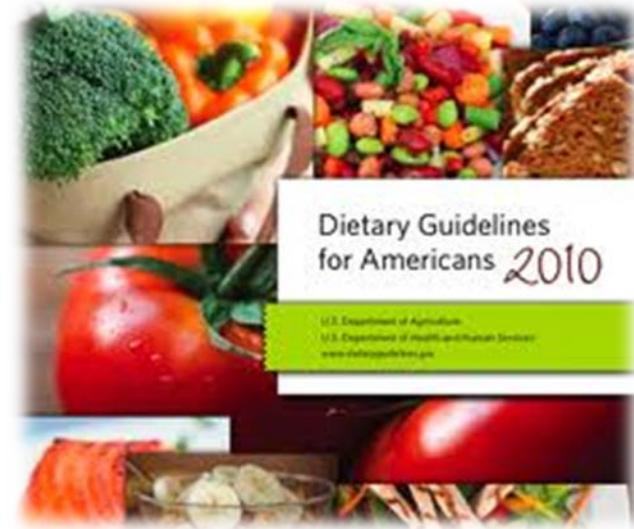
Non-program Foods Overview

- A school authority must ensure that the overall revenue for non-program foods is proportional to the cost of obtaining these foods
- If non-program food is purchased with the nonprofit school food service account, all revenue must accrue back to the account
- School food authorities should begin reviewing the cost of obtaining any non-program foods sold in relation to the revenue generated by their sale



All Foods Sold in Schools (Section 208)

- Establishes nutrition standards for all foods sold outside of the school meal programs on the campus of schools during the school day
- This includes all foods and beverages sold during the school day
- Consistent with the 2010 *Dietary Guidelines*
- Considerations:
 - Practical application
 - Special exemptions for **infrequent** school sponsored fundraisers



All Foods Timeline



Photo: Bobbi/Alamy

- Proposed Rule Published:
 - December 2011

- Final Rule Published:
 - Summer 2013



Water (Section 203)

- Plain drinkable water should be available to children at no charge in the place where lunch meals are served during the meal service
 - New guidance on June 29, 2011
 - The location of the water must be in the foodservice area or immediately adjacent to the meal service area



Water Timeline

- Implementation Memo released Spring 2011
 - Must be in place 2011-2012 school year
 - Water is not a part of the reimbursable meal



Local Wellness Policies (section 204)



- Designed to strengthen Local Wellness Policies so they become useful tools in evaluating, establishing and maintaining healthy environments
- Policies will include:
 - Goals for nutrition, physical activity and wellness
 - Guidelines to promote health and reduce obesity
- Local Education Agency determine specific policies appropriated for their schools



Local Wellness Policies Overview

- Tools will be available:
 - Working with the Center of Disease Control and Dept of Education to establish policies
 - Provide a prototype Local Wellness Policy and best practices from schools
- Implementation Memo to be released anytime
- Final Rule is expected by the Fall 2013



Nutrition Environment (Section 209)

- To provide transparency to the public on key areas that affect the nutrition environment in each school
 - Information to the public must be accessible and easily understood
- Example of data reported to public:
 - Food Safety Inspections
 - Local Wellness Policies
 - Meal Program Participation
 - Nutrition Quality of Program Meals



Nutrition Environment Timeline

- Implementation memo expected anytime
- Final Rule Fall due by 2013



Food Safety (Section 302)

- Designed to increase food safety in schools
- Food safety requirements will be applied throughout the school campus where PROGRAM FOODS are stored, prepared and served
- HACCP guidance to be updated



Food Safety Implementation

- Implementation Memo was released May 2011
- Final Rule expected by Fall 2011



Farm to School (Section 243)

- To fund competitive grants for Farm to School related activities
 - Grants to be used for:
 - training
 - supporting operations
 - planning and purchasing equipment
 - developing school gardens
 - developing partnerships
- Grants are not to exceed \$100,000
- \$5 million for entire US will be available beginning in October 2012



Farm to School



- More information about USDA's Farm to School Grants will be available later this year.
- Updates will be posted to "Available Grants" section of the USDA farm to school website
 - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/F2S>



Farm to School Timeline

- Request for applications Winter 2012
- Grants awarded October 2013



Procurement and Processing of Food Service Products and Commodities (Section 242)

- To assist schools with obtaining healthy foods that meet school meal standards and reflect the most recent *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*
 - USDA will purchase the widest variety of healthful foods that reflect the most recent Dietary Guidelines
 - USDA will conduct a study to analyze the quantity and quality of nutritional information available to school food authorities about food service products and commodities



The next step



- USDA memos on DESE- SFS website
- Emails sent to Authorized Representatives of the program
- Future trainings and webinars



Links

- Missouri School Foods website -
 - <http://www.dese.mo.gov/divadm/food/>
- USDA website -
 - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/>
- Division of Family Services children's division -
 - <http://dss.mo.gov/>
- Farm to School link -
 - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/F2S>
- School Nutrition Association -
 - <http://www.schoolnutrition.org/>



Thank You

