

Nourishing NH - School Meals Newsletter

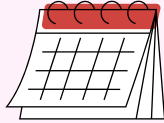
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End of Month Reminders



March claims may be submitted no later than May 30th, 2024, to avoid corrective action and/or the loss of reimbursement.

Reminders for Next Month

Please submit April claims by the 10th of May, 2024.

Did you miss this month's information buffet? View the recording [HERE](#) on our YouTube Channel!

REGISTER NOW

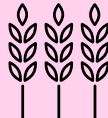
Paid Lunch Equity Training (In-Person)

Register for **Conquering the Paid Lunch Equity (PLE) Tool** in-person training on May 20th, 2024, [HERE](#). This will take place at 25 Hall Street, Concord, NH 03301

***Please Note, there is a 30 person MAXIMUM for this training. First-come-first served basis. If needed, there will be a waitlist.

FINAL RULE FOR SCHOOL MEAL STANDARDS

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) published the final rule titled, Child Nutrition Programs: Meal Patterns Consistent With the 2020-2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans, which is the next step in continuing the science-based improvement of school meals and other USDA Child Nutrition Programs (CNP), as well as advancing USDA's commitment to nutrition security. While this rulemaking is effective July 1, 2024, USDA is gradually phasing in required changes over time.



The Nutrition Office will be working on trainings and sharing program guidance on New School Meal Standards to Strengthen Child Nutrition.

SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY

MAY 3RD 2024

To acknowledge school lunch heroes hard work and commitment - join ONPS in celebrating School Lunch Hero Day on May 3rd!

CLICK HERE



**FOR SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY
PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS AND
STUDENT ACTIVITIES!**



Does your School Participate in the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program?

What areas of the FFVP does your school need additional guidance on? Complete [this survey](#) to let our Office know what to include in upcoming trainings!



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Other Reminders...

Snow Days! Did your last day of school change due to snow days and/or unexpected school closures? If so, the SAU is required to amend both the Sponsor and Site page of your NSLP application to reflect the correct ending date to avoid any issues submitting claims at the end of the school year.



SFAs Contracting With Food Service Management Companies

For SFAs contracting with food service management companies (FSMC), the ONPS first review of the FSMC contract is due on or before May 30th, 2024. All FSMC contracts must be fully approved by ONPS **before** any signatures are obtained from all parties on or before June 30th, 2024.



Apply for summer feedings programs by May 15th, 2024:

- Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)
- Seamless Summer Option (SSO)
- Extended School Year National School Lunch Program (ESY NSLP)

Not sure if your school qualifies? Reach out to our Office!

Summer meal program applications are due by May 15th, 2024, per the SA deadline. Federal regulations allow for applications to be submitted on or before June 15th, 2024.



The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHED) Office of Nutrition Programs and Services (ONPS) is excited to announce a new grant funding opportunity for schools throughout New Hampshire. You can find the grant application for the New Hampshire Farm to School (F2S) School Gardens Grant for the implementation and/or expansion of School Gardens [here](#). This funding opportunity is also posted on the [NHED Grant Funding Opportunities website](#). Please note, no applications will be accepted after May 3, 2024.

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