

Survey to Operate in NSLP or Summer Meals for SY 20-21

Based on the [Nationwide Waiver to Allow Summer Food Service Program and Seamless Summer Option Operations Through December 2020](#), the Illinois State Board of Education Nutrition Department is collecting information from sponsors to facilitate the process of setting up and completing program applications in the Web-Based Illinois Nutrition System (WINS). Sponsors have the option to choose if they would like to operate under the National School Lunch Program, Summer Food Service Program, or the Seamless Summer Option. **School districts should consider operating under the Summer Food Service Program to provide meals to all children in the community, to implement simplified meal pattern and meal counting procedures, and to receive a higher rate of reimbursement for the meals served.** If you need further clarification on each, please review the [recorded Sept. 2 ISBE Update webinar](#).

[All sponsors should click here to complete the online survey as soon as possible](#). Please complete only one per district.

Once a school declares which program they wish to participate in, they will receive a follow-up email from one of our staff to notify them once their respective applications have been completed in WINS. If sponsors are still unsure of which program would best fit the needs of the district, please email us at cnp@isbe.net and someone will reach out to provide technical assistance. Thank you for all you are doing at this time to feed your communities!

Here is a list of nationwide waivers issued on Aug. 31:

- [Nationwide Waiver to Allow Summer Food Service Program and Seamless Summer Option Operations Through December 2020](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #56)
- [Nationwide Waiver to Extend Area Eligibility Waivers – EXTENSION 2](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #52)
- [Nationwide Waiver to Allow Meal Pattern Flexibility in the Summer Food Service Program and the National School Lunch Program Seamless Summer Option - EXTENSION 7](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #53)
- [Nationwide Waiver to Allow Non-congregate Feeding in the Summer Food Service Program and the National School Lunch Program Seamless Summer Option – EXTENSION 4](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #54)
- [Nationwide Waiver to Allow Parents and Guardians to Pick Up Meals for Children – EXTENSION 4](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #55)
- [Nationwide Waiver of Meal Service Time Restrictions in the Summer Food Service Program and the National School Lunch Program Seamless Summer Option – EXTENSION 4](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #50)

- [Nationwide Waiver to Allow Area Eligibility for Closed Enrolled Sites in the Summer Food Service Program and the National School Lunch Program Seamless Summer Option – EXTENSION](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #48)
- [Nationwide Waiver to Waive First Week Site Visits in the Summer Food Service Program – EXTENSION](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #49)
- [Nationwide Waiver to Allow Offer Versus Serve Flexibilities in the Summer Food Service Program – EXTENSION](#) (COVID-19: Child Nutrition Response #51)

Additional guidance for operating School Nutrition Programs (SNP) in School Year 2020-21 is available at www.isbe.net/nutrition under What's New? and School Nutrition Programs: Mapping the Way to School Year 2020-21. You can also visit our SNP Back to School Conference at www.isbe.net/snps2s, where recorded trainings, PowerPoint presentations, and fact sheets are available.

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