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School Operations Update



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Attachment B Uploads

- Opens July 1, 2023
- Closes October 31, 2023
- Submit:
 - *School Meal Application*
 - *Application Instructions*
 - *Eligibility template letters used*
- CEs operating CEP or Provision 2 (not in the base year) do not need to complete the Attachment B Upload.

Independent Review of Applications

- Applies only to CEs that received an eligibility error rate of 9% or greater in their previous Administrative Review.
- The CE reviews school meal applications submitted during the current school year and report on those applications that were reviewed October 31, 2023, and earlier.
- The CE must ensure the eligibility determination is correct by having someone other than the determining official review the school meal applications.
- CEs must submit a report of the results to TDA no later than January 15, 2024.

Non-Congregate Feeding

- CE and site applications must be approved prior to summer feeding operations, including non-congregate feeding.
- Site application must reflect normal congregate operations.
- If there are other CEs in the area operating non-congregate, your application may be delayed.
- Meal service dates, days and times must match the site application in TX-UNPS. Changes to dates and/or times can be made in TX-UNPS and on the NC application. CEs are not required to resubmit a new NC application.



SSO Reviews and Administrative Review Schedule

Seamless Summer Option (SSO) Reviews

- Conducted 110 Seamless Summer Option (SSO) reviews in June 2023.

23-24 Administrative Review (AR) Schedule

- AR schedule has been released to the School Operations team.
- The list of CEs that will receive an AR in school year 2023-2024 and the focus areas is located here:

<https://squaremeals.org/Programs/National-School-Lunch-Program/Compliance>