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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.

Attachment B: Uploads Attachments Summary for School Year 2023-2024

Contracting Entities that have been approved:

580

Contracting Entities that have NOT started:

526

"Attachment B"

Policy Statement for Free and Reduced-Price Meals, Attachment B: Meal Count/Collection Procedure(s) (Attachment B)

 The CE must include an Attachment B when initially submitting its program application and <u>must review</u> its Attachment B each year. If changes are made to the CE's counting and claiming processes, an updated Attachment B must be submitted for approval immediately.

Excess Net Cash Resources

Financial Report Project

 MegaCon Training Sessions - https://squaremeals.org/FandN-Resources/Events/MegaCon

ExcessNetCash-HowtoSpendDownPlan.pdf



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.





23-24 Administrative Review (AR) Schedule

- Announcement Letters to be released soon.
- 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

Please ensure that all information in TX-UNPS, including contact information is correct.

