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## August 2025 Monthly Newsletter

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### It's Farm Fresh Challenge Time!

The 2025 Farm Fresh Challenge pledge opens August 13. The Farm Fresh Challenge gives National School Lunch Program and CACFP operators the chance to show their dedication to serving Texas-grown and produced foods to their students throughout the October. CEs earn awards for serving Texas products, teaching students about Texas agriculture, and sharing their successes on social media. Learn more about the Farm Fresh Challenge [here](#). [Pledge to participate](#) in the 2025 Farm Fresh Challenge now!

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### New Food Yields Available!

Check out the [Food Buying Guide](#) for new available food yields like pineapple tidbits, pineapple chunks, dried mango, dragon fruit, chopped romaine lettuce, and more! Additional yield data released are coming soon.

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### Final Rule Resource Survey

Visit [USDA](#) for more information on the Final Rule and upcoming changes. Let us know what kind of resources would best support you in implementing these new meal standards – [Click here!](#)

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### Join us for the August "TANS Talk!"

Mark your calendar for [Thursday, August 14 from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. \(CDT\)!](#)

TANS Talk is an office hours session that will allow CEs to review TANS related updates. We are excited to share all of the new updates about this platform and answer any questions.

### How to Participate in TANS Talk:

Use this [TANS Talk Feedback Form](#) to submit any TANS questions you would like to see reviewed during the call. Please note that the *Feedback Form will close on Wednesday, August 20 at 5 p.m. (CDT)* to give our team time to prepare for the meeting. Visit the [TANS homepage](#) and [Resources page](#) for access to past TANS Talks, updates, trainings, and more.

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