

NUTRITION NEWS

Helpful Hints & Tips | SFSP Edition XXIII

• Spread the News about the SFSP! •



Now that summer has come to a close, here at Nutrition Services, we are gearing up for summer 2017! If you know of any potentially eligible organizations that are interested in serving healthy, well-balanced meals during the summer, have them contact Marketing & Outreach Manager, Shani Drake at shani.drake@dec.al.ga.gov or (404) 656-3221.

Planning for the 3rd Annual SFSP Summit has begun, and we would like to extend the invitation to as many organizations as possible! Thank you for helping spread the word about the SFSP!

• Atlanta Foodservice Expo •

The Atlanta Foodservice Expo 2016 will be held September 19-20, 2016 at the Cobb Galleria Centre. This event will be helpful for institutions and sponsors that would like to solicit more vendors when it is time to advertise bids/gather food quotes, and learn more about the foodservice industry.

For more information, visit the Atlanta Foodservice Expo site [here](#).

• SFSP Required Reconciliation Process •

In accordance with the policy memorandum entitled "[Simplified SFSP and Bright from the Start's Annual Year End Reconciliation Process](#)" dated August 20, 2014, all organizations are required to complete and submit the SFSP Annual Year End Reconciliation Form. The form can be found on DECAL's website [here](#).

The completed SFSP Annual Year End Reconciliation Forms are due by Thursday, September 15, 2016. Please submit completed forms to Valesia Jones at Valesia.Jones@dec.al.ga.gov or via fax to (770) 342-7985.

• SFSP to CACFP Transition Training Info Session •



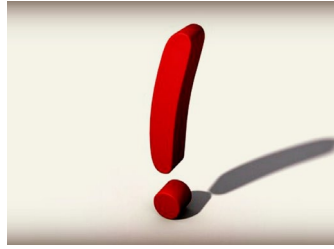
Nutrition Services is conducting training for SFSP sponsors interested in transitioning to the CACFP to continue serving meals year-round through the At-Risk Afterschool Program. The training will cover general CACFP requirements and the Child Care Services (CCS) process for obtaining a license or an exemption from licensure.

The following web-based training is scheduled for interested sponsors:

- Thursday, September 15, 2016 – 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Interested institutions can register themselves for this webinar using this [link](#).

• New SFSP Policy Guidance and Memoranda •



Nutrition Services released new policy guidance for SFSP sponsors. The new guidance is below:

- **Standards for Development of Procurement Policy Consistent with CACFP and SFSP Federal Requirements (Revised)**: This memorandum provides general guidance on procurement standards for the CACFP and SFSP. A few revisions were made since this guidance was issued October 1, 2015. Revisions are highlighted in yellow throughout the document.
- **Excess Funds in the CACFP and SFSP**: This memorandum provides additional guidance on the use of excess funds for institutions operating both the CACFP and the SFSP. This guidance replaces DECAL policy memorandum, Excess Funds in the CACFP and SFSP, December 1, 2015.

All SFSP policies and policy memoranda information is available on DECAL's website [here](#) and [here](#).

• End-of-Summer Survey Results •



Nutrition Services has issued the end-of-summer survey to get your feedback on participation in the SFSP for the 2016 summer season. Thank you to those institutions that took the time out to complete the survey, which covered a number of topics including customer service, training, GA ATLAS, and much more.

Once we have gathered all responses, we will share the key findings and insights with you. We will also use these findings to inform our decisions regarding training, technical assistance, outreach, and other processes.

Be on the lookout for the survey results in an upcoming edition of Nutrition News!