



**Department of  
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# INTRODUCTION TO THE SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

- **SFSP Basics**
- **Meal Pattern**
- **Reviews and Resources**

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# SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

- **What is the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)?**

*SFSP provides kids and teens in low-income areas free meals when school is out.*

- **Who does the program serve?**

*The SFSP serves children and teens aged 18 and younger.*

- **How does it work?**

*There are three main players involved: State agencies, sponsors, and sites.*



# Ohio SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM



This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



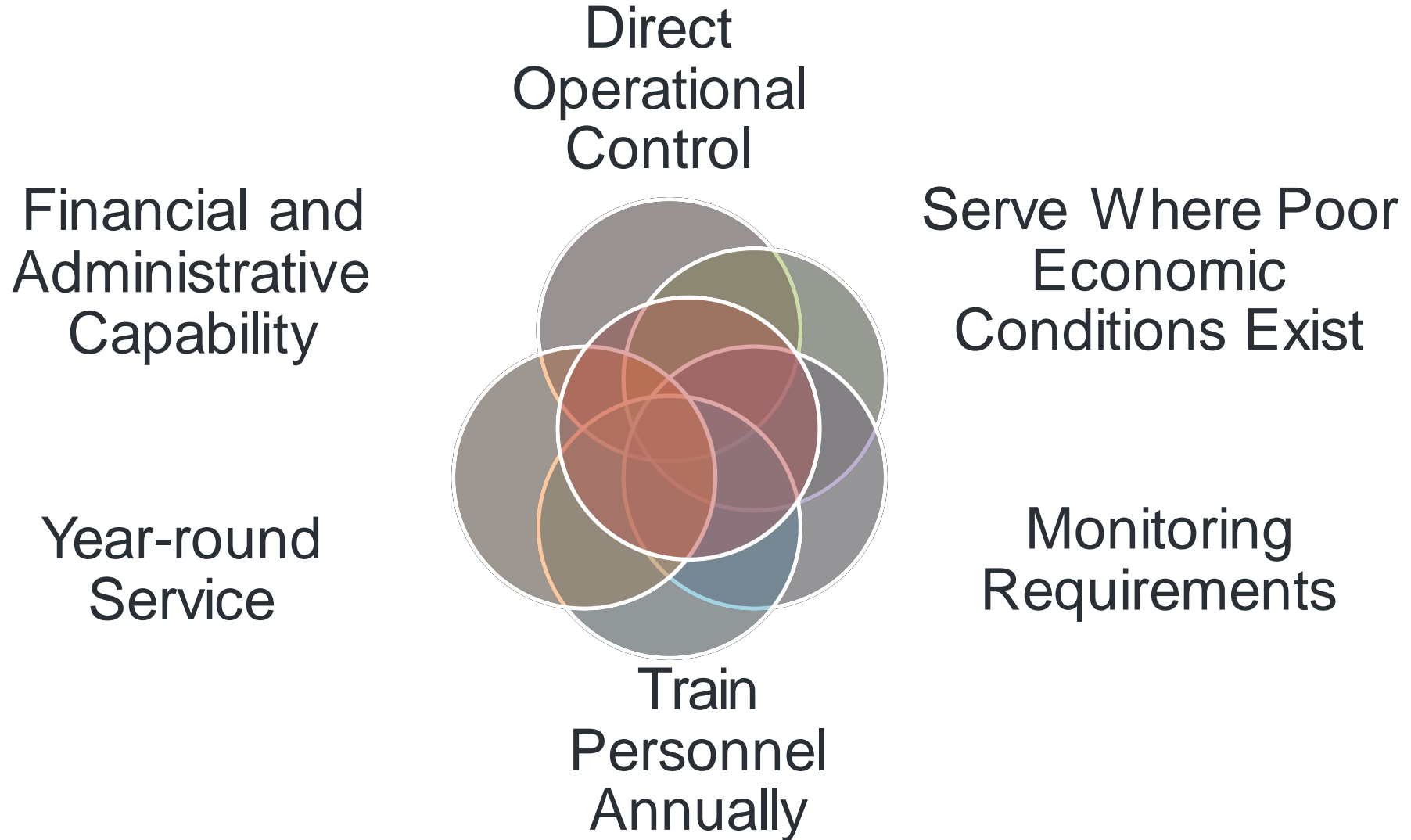
# SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

## Who can be a sponsor?

- Public or nonprofit private school food authorities;
- Public or nonprofit private residential summer camps;
- Units of local, municipal, county, or State governments;
- Public or private nonprofit colleges or universities which are currently participating in the National Youth Sports Program; and
- Private nonprofit organizations as defined in [§ 225.2](#), as determined annually.



# SPONSOR RESPONSIBILITIES



# SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Where can I open a meal site?

- Park
- YMCA
- Recreation Center
- School
- Library
- And More!



# TYPES OF SITES

- Open
- Restricted Open
- Closed Enrolled
- Camps
- Outward Bound
- Migrant
- National Youth Sports Program





# MEAL PATTERNS

## BREAKFAST

- One serving of milk
- One serving of a vegetable, fruit or 100% juice.
- One serving of grain.
- A meat/meat alternate is optional.

## LUNCH OR SUPPER

- One serving of milk
- Two or more servings of vegetables and/or fruits.
- One serving of grain.
- One serving of meat/meat alternate.

## SNACK

- Must contain two food items from different components.
- Juice cannot be served when milk is served as the only other component.

# MEAL COMBINATIONS

## ALLOWABLE MEAL COMBINATIONS

**Breakfast only**

**Snack only**

**Lunch only**

**Supper only**

**Lunch and snack**

**Breakfast and snack**

**Breakfast and lunch**

**Supper and snack**

**Breakfast and supper**

**Two snacks**

Lunch and Supper is NOT an allowable combination.

# MEAL SERVICE TYPES AND TIMES



## TYPES

### Self-Prepared

- Sponsor prepares meals on-site or at a central location.

### Vended

- Sponsor buys meals from a school or caterer/Food Service Management Company (FSMC).
- To secure a vendor, proper procurement procedures must be followed.

## TIMES

- Meal service times must be established by the sponsor and provided to the state agency.
- Meals served outside the designated meal service time cannot be claimed for reimbursement.

**Sponsors must show evidence of meeting all applicable State and local health, safety, and sanitation standards.**

# WHAT CAN BE CLAIMED



Meal Pattern



Eligible Child



On Site



Approved Meals  
and Times



# REIMBURSEMENT RATES

## Claim Rates for SFSP Rate Year: January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

### Federal Reimbursement Rates

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#### Operating Rates

	Maximum Rate Per Meal
Breakfast	0.0000
Lunch/Supper	0.0000
Supplements	0.0000

#### Administrative Rates

	Rural and All Self- Preparations Sites Maximum Rate Per Meal	Vended Urban Sites Maximum Rate Per Meal
Breakfast	0.0000	0.0000
Lunch/Supper	0.0000	0.0000
Supplements	0.0000	0.0000

# PRE-APPROVAL REVIEW

- Your submitted application will not be approved until a pre-approval review has been conducted by an Education Program Specialist.
- The review will be conducted on-site. The purpose is to confirm the information submitted in the application, provide technical assistance and observe a meal service if operational.

# FIRST-YEAR REVIEW

- New sponsors receive a full review by the state agency during their first year of operation.
- Your assigned Education Program Specialist will schedule the review and send a notification to you via e-mail.
- The notification include an attached “Sponsor Review Checklist” which outlines the program areas that will be evaluated. Ensure you have **ALL** required records ready and available for assessment on the day of your review.

# REQUIRED SFSP TRAINING

- Complete the required SFSP online training
- Log in to the online training module at <http://ohiochildnutrition.com/> and complete both the ODE-178 course, “Planning and Administering the SFSP” and ODE-150, “Civil Rights Training” and all assessments.
- One person of authority must score at least an 80% on each assessment.

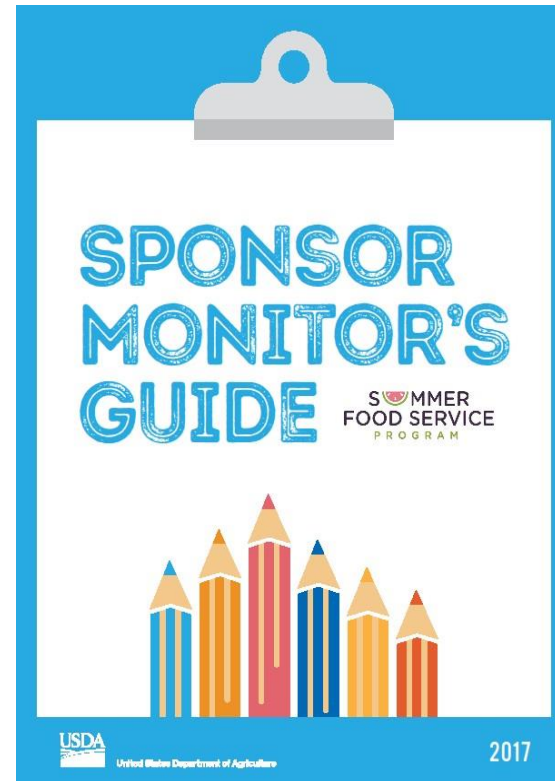
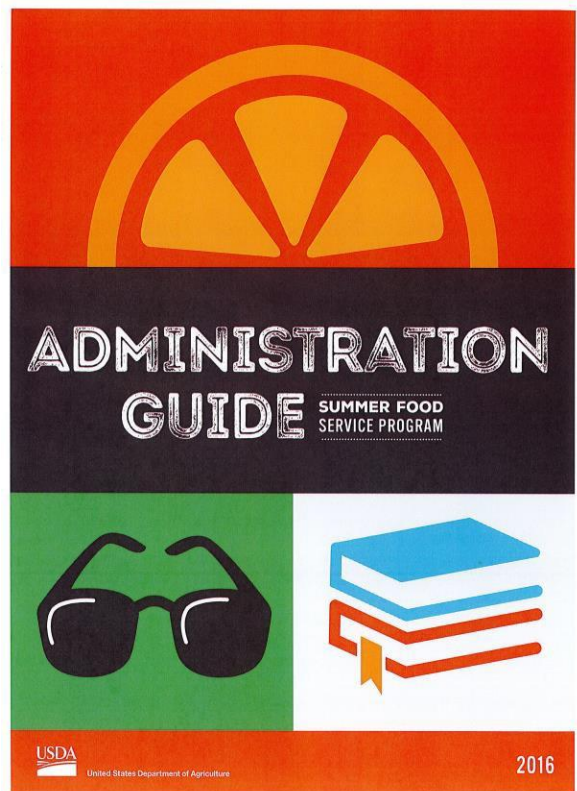




# USDA RESOURCES

USDA SFSP Handbooks:

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/handbooks>



# QUESTIONS?

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