FY20-21 Child & Adult Care Food Program

Physical Distancing in CACFP

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Physically-Distanced CACFP At-Risk Meal Service Options

• Grab-and-go (non-congregate) meals
  ▪ Bulk item distribution
  ▪ Parent pick up
  ▪ Distribution of multiple days of meals at one time

• Flexible meal times

• Meal pattern flexibility

All CACFP operations flexibilities must be approved by the State agency before implementation, including extensions for FY 21.
Serving At-Risk Afterschool Meals
Afterschool Activity and Enrichment Programming
Programs must offer an activity or enrichment programming.

- Virtual
  - Meals can be served even if the facility or organization is offering online programming.

- In-person
  - As in previous years, meals can be served if in-person programming is offered.
How can at-risk afterschool meals be served?

At-risk afterschool meal service locations
Meals can be served at the program location.

Distribution Methods
• Grab-and-go
• In-person, physically distanced, congregate meals

Kind of Meals Allowed
• Unitized
• Bulk Items

School Food Authorities
If the school food authority is offering afterschool programming on its own or through a third-party, then the SFA may distribute the afterschool meals along with breakfast and lunch meals.

Community-based Organizations
A community-based organization can serve in-person/grab-and-go meals at the afterschool program location.
Preparing to serve at-risk afterschool meals

What is the state of afterschool programming?
OSSE and DME have not issued specific guidance on operating afterschool for school year 20-21

Sponsors should consider the following steps to implement an at-risk afterschool meal program:

- Contact afterschool programs to inquire about the status of their programming this year.
  - Virtual, in-person, temporarily suspended

- **Virtual programming**
  - Ask if they would like to include meals as part of their programming.
    - If they are associated with a school, ask if the SFA will be providing afterschool meals in their distribution.
  - Work with the afterschool providers to survey the families’ interest in and capacity to receive meals.
  - Determine if the afterschool program or the sponsoring organization will distribute meals, if applicable.