**SELF-ASSESSMENT REVIEW OF THE MEAL COUNTING AND CLAIMING SYSTEM**

**AND READILY OBSERVABLE GENERAL AREAS FOR THE SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

School Breakfast Program

(Complete before November 1 and April 1 annually; maintain on file)

Charter and Non-public Schools operating the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the School Breakfast Program (SBP) are required to conduct two program self-assessments of the meal counting and claiming systems used to document the service or reimbursable meals to students before November 1 and April 1 annually.

Each self-assessment must ensure the school’s claim is based on the counting and claiming system, as approved by the State agency, and yields the actual number of reimbursable free, reduced price, and paid meals, respectively, served for each day of operation.

If the self-assessment discloses problems with a school’s meal counting and claiming procedures or general review areas, the SFA must ensure the school implements corrective action, and within 45 days of the assessment, conduct a follow-up self-assessment to determine and document whether the corrective action resolved the problems.

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| **School Food Authority Name:** | **Agreement#:** |
| **School Name:** | **Review Date:** |
| **SFA Reviewer:** | **SFA Reviewer’s Signature:** |
| **School/Site Manager** | **School/Site Manager’s Signature:** |

**SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM SELF-ASSESSMENT/ON-SITE REVIEW**

The following questions are recommended at a minimum to complete the on-site review requirement.

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| ***MEAL COUNTING and CLAIMING SYSTEM*** |  | **YES** | **NO** |
| 1. Is the method used for counting reimbursable meals in compliance with the approved point of service requirement? (Meal counts must be taken at the location(s) where complete meals are served to children.)
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Is the point of service meal count used to determine the school’s claim for reimbursement?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Is the person responsible for monitoring and counting meals correctly identifying reimbursable meals?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Is the school correctly implementing policies for handling the following (as applicable):
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  | **YES** | **NO** | **N/A** |
|  Incomplete Meals? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Second Meals? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Lost, stolen, misused, forgotten or destroyed tickets, tokens IDs, PINs? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Visiting student meals? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Adult and non-student meals (and identifying program vs. non program? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  A la carte? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Student worker meals | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Field Trips | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Charged and/or prepaid meals? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Offer vs Serve? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
|  Unpaid meal charges? | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Is there a method of identifying non-reimbursable meals (i.e. not meeting meal pattern requirements, seconds, adult meals, etc.), distinguishing them from reimbursable meals?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Is someone trained as a backup for the monitor and the meal counter?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Are there procedures for meal counting and claiming when the primary counting and claiming system is not available? Do staff know when and how to implement them?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Are daily counts correctly totaled and recorded?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. If claims are aggregated, are the meal counts correctly totaled and consolidated?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Are internal controls (edits, monitoring, etc.) established to ensure that daily counts do not exceed the number of students eligible or in attendance and that an accurate claim is made?

*Record today’s meal counts by category and compare to the number of students eligible by category.* | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| **Number of STUDENTS APPROVED by Category** | **Today’s MEAL COUNTS by Category** |  |  |
| Free:  | Free:  |  |  |
| Reduced Price:  | Reduced Price:  |  |  |
| Paid:  | Paid:  |  |  |
| 1. Does the system prevent overt identification of children receiving free or reduced price meals?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| **NOTE: The following two questions are for all SFAs except for SFAs on Provision 2 or 3 in non-base years, CEP, or RCCIs with only residential children** |
| 1. Is a current eligibility list kept up-to-date and used by the meal counting system to provide an accurate daily count of reimbursable meals **by category** (free, reduced price, paid)?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. If applicable, according to 7 CFR 220.11(d) are comparisons of daily free, reduced price and paid breakfast counts against data which will assist in the identification of breakfast counts in excess of the number of free, reduced price and paid breakfasts served each day to children eligible for such breakfasts completed?
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| 1. Are written Cash Management Policies and Procedures available and followed?
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| 1. Are cash receipts counted and verified by two persons?
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| **SBP CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (for any “NO” answers above):** |
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| **Specify DATE SBP corrective action(s) will be implemented:**  |
| **NAME/TITLE of person responsible for ensuring Corrective Action is implemented and sustained:**  |

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| ***READILY OBSERVABLE GENERAL AREAS*** | **YES** | **NO** |
| 1. Were any issues readily observed in relation to resource management?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Maintenance of the Nonprofit School Food Service Account? (7 CFR 210.2, 210.14, 210.19(a), 210.21) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Paid Lunch Equity? (7 CFR 210.14(e)) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Revenue from Non-program Foods? (7 CFR 210.14(f)) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Indirect Costs? (2 CFR Part 200 and 7 CFR 210.14(g)) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 1. Were any issues readily observed in other general areas?
 | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Free and Reduced Price Process – including verification, notification, and other procedures (7 CFR Part 245) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Civil Rights (7 CFR 210.23(b)) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Reporting and Recordkeeping (7 CFR Parts 210, 220, and 245) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Food Safety (7 CFR 210.13) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Competitive Food Service (7 CFR 210.11 and 220.12) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Water (7 CFR 210.10(a)(1)(i) and 220.8(a)(1)) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Professional Standards (7 CFR 210.30) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| SBP and SFSP Outreach (7 CFR 210.12(d)) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Local School Wellness Policies (7 CFR 210.30) | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Other | [ ]  | [ ]  |

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| **SBP CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (for any “YES” answers above):** |
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| **Specify DATE SBP Corrective Actions(s) will be implemented:**  |
| **NAME/TITLE of person responsible for ensuring Corrective Action is implemented and sustained.**  |

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| **SBP FOLLOW-UP REVIEW** (must be conducted within 45 days if corrective action was required): |
| **Date(s) of Follow-up:**  |
| **Observations of Corrective Action implementation:** |
| **SIGNATURE:** | *School/Site Manager:* | *Title* | *Date* |
| *SFA Reviewer:* | *Title* | *Date* |