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## **Announcements from the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)**

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### **Nationwide Waiver to Extend Area Eligibility Waivers for Summer 2022 Operations – EXTENSION 5**

Pursuant to the authority in Section 2202(a) of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (the FFCRA) (P.L. 116-127), as amended, and based on the exceptional circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is extending a nationwide waiver for area eligibility for the purposes of providing meals under the Child Nutrition Programs and to ensure continuity of program operations. The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has elected to participate in the Nationwide Waiver to Extended Area Eligibility Waivers for the Summer Food Service Program. FNS recognizes that State agencies and local Program operators continue to need additional support and flexibility to serve meals to children in need while managing the impacts of COVID-19. SFSP operators recognize the need to modify summer feeding models to ensure the provisions of meals or continuity of program operations. This extension eases administrative burdens and provides for greater access to meals this summer.

Sponsors may at this time, add open, restricted open, and/or closed enrolled sites to their SFSP Application, that are not located within an area that is eligible. Notify your [SFSP consultant](#) of the addition of the site(s). Those electing to operate sites under this waiver, are responsible to ensure these meal sites are targeting benefits to children in need, for example, children who may be eligible for benefits due to the economic

impacts of COVID-19. Participating in this waiver will require that you report on the use of this waiver, at a later date.

DPI expects to receive additional waiver opportunities through FFCRA. More information regarding those waivers will be provided as soon as they are available.



*Program Abbreviation/Definition Key*

**SFA**=School Food Authority  
**SSO**=Seamless Summer Option  
**SFSP**=Summer Food Service Program

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