COVID-19 Update

Child Nutrition Program Meal Service during COVID-19 Outbreaks
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COVID–19: Child Nutrition Response #32 Nationwide Waiver to Extend Area Eligibility Waivers through August 31, 2020
This waiver extends until August 31, 2020: (1) Previously approved Statewide waivers that allow Program operators to locate Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Seamless Summer Option (SSO) open sites in areas that do not meet area eligibility requirements.

Pandemic EBT Information from DCF
Parent Portal opened June 5th. The head of household will need to go to the portal and register their household. Once registered the processing time could take anywhere from 6 to 8 weeks. If DCF needs any additional information, they will contact the household via the phone number provided on the registration form.

If you would like to send out a reminder to the families eligible for free or reduced price meals, that would be encouraged. This language could be used:
“Due to your household’s eligibility for free or reduced price meals for SY2019-2020, your student(s) are eligible for a Pandemic EBT benefit to equal the value of the meals the child(ren) would have received at school if school had not been closed due to COVID-19. To apply for this benefit, go to ______________. This confidential link is for your household only and not to be shared with others. If you have questions, call 1-888-369-4777. Kansas will continue to comply with civil rights requirements, to include providing equal access to individuals with disabilities and individuals who are limited English proficient.”

If the school district receives a call from a household that is directly certified and they are reporting they have not received the P-EBT benefit, please provide them the link to the parent portal and ask them to please register their household for the benefit. If the household has further questions please call DCF at 1-888-369-4777, Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Please contact your area child nutrition consultant or the Topeka office if you have questions! We are here to support you as you provide nutritious and safe meals to children!

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