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Child Nutrition Programs

Nationwide Waivers and Flexibilities

- **Afterschool Activity**  
  Nationwide Waiver issued 3/20/2020

- **Extended Unanticipated School Closures**  
  Offered to All States 4/27/2020

- **Food Service Management Company Contract**  
  Offered to All States 4/24/2020 | Extended through June 2021

- **Local School Wellness Policy Triennial Assessment**  
  Offered to All States 4/23/2020

- **Meal Times**  
  Nationwide Waiver issued 3/20/2020 | Extended through August 31 | Approved for SY 2020-21 6/25/2020 | Extended through December 31 | Extended in SFSP/SSO through June 2021

- **Nationwide At-risk Afterschool Area Eligibility Waiver**  
  Nationwide Waiver issued 9/18/2020 | Extended through June 2021

- **Nationwide Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Data Waiver**  
  Offered to All States 3/25/2020

- **Nationwide Meal Pattern Waiver**  
  Offered to All States 3/25/2020 | Extended through May 31 | Extended through June 30 | Extended through July 31 | Extended through August 31 | Extended through September 30 | Extended through December 31  
  - Approved for School, After-school and Day Care Programs for SY 2020-21 6/25/2020 | Extended in School After-School and Day Care Programs through June 2021

- **Nationwide Parent/Guardian Meal Pickup Waiver**  
  Offered to All States 3/25/2020 | Extended through August 31 | Extended through September 30 | Approved for SY 2020-21 6/25/2020 | Extended through December 31 | Extended through June 2021

- **Nationwide Waivers of Child Nutrition Monitoring**  
  Offered to All States 3/25/2020 | Extension for Sponsors in CACFP | Extension for States in CACFP | Extensions for Schools | Extensions for Sponsors in SFSP | Extensions for States in SFSP | Extended through Aug 31

- **Nationwide Waiver for Selected Child Nutrition Program Reporting Requirements**  
  Offered to All States 1/7/2021

- **Nationwide Waiver of Community Eligibility Provision Deadlines in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs**  
  Offered to All States 3/26/2021

- **Nationwide Waiver to Allow Sponsors that Successfully Participated in the Summer Food Service Program in FY 2019 to Operate as Experienced Sponsors in FY 2021**  
  Offered to All States 4/1/2021

- **Nationwide Waiver to Provide Flexibility for School Meal Programs Administrative Reviews of SFAs Operating Only the SSO in SY 2021-22**  
  Offered to All States 5/21/2021

- **Non-congregate Feeding**  
  Nationwide Waiver issued 3/20/2020 | Extended through August 31 | Extended through
• **Offer Versus Serve Flexibility for Senior High Schools for the SY 2020-21**
  Nationwide Waiver Issued 6/25/2020

• **Pre-approval Flexibility**
  Offered to All States 9/11/2020 | Extended through June 2021

• **SFSP/SSO Area Eligibility Waiver**
  Offered to All States 5/6/2020 | Extended through Aug 31 | Extended through September 30 | Extended Through December 31 | Extended through June 2021

• **SFSP/SSO extension**
  Offered to All States 8/31/2020 | Extended through June 2021

• **SFSP/SSO Meal Service Times (Regular Summer)**
  Offered to All States 4/21/2020

• **SFSP/SSO Closed Enrolled Sites (Regular Summer)**
  Offered to All States 4/27/2020 | Extended through December 31 | Extended through June 2021

• **SFSP Offer Versus Serve (Regular Summer)**
  Offered to All States 5/1/2020 | Extended through December 31 | Extended through June 2021

• **SFSP First Week Site Visits (Regular Summer)**
  Offered to All States 6/1/2020 | Extended through December 31 | Extended through June 2021

• **60 Day Reporting Requirement Waiver**
  Offered to All States 4/1/2020

Additional Waivers and Flexibilities

• **Pandemic EBT**
  *See under SNAP*

• **Emergency Operational Costs Reimbursement Programs: Implementation Plans Approved**
  Montana Department of Public Instruction (School Programs) 6/25/21

• **Oversight Plan Waiver**
  *Waiver Response 1/12/2021 | Final Waiver 1/26/2021*

• **SFSP-SFA Monitoring Review Waiver**
  *Approved 7/13/2020*

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**USDA Foods Programs**

• **Entitlement Waiver for SY 2020-2021**
  *Approved 9/11/2020*

• **Entitlement Waiver for SY 2021-22**
  *Approved 1/15/2021*