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Lunch Program

December 2021 Monthly Newsletter

Events, Trainings and Resources

[Save the Date - MegaCon 2022 Scheduled for May 2-6!](#)

Mark your calendars! Join TDA for this multi-program mega conference in Austin. You'll get updates on regulations and guidance, interact with peers and TDA staff, attend interactive training sessions, and find new ways to achieve program success!



[School Breakfast Week 2022 - Order Promotional Items Today!](#)

It is time to plan for School Breakfast Week (SBW) 2022, March 7-11th. TDA materials feature the theme "Feed Your Creativity with a Healthy School Breakfast" and artwork inspired by the winning entries from the You Art What You Eat student art contest. Click here for more information about SBW 2022, to order promotional materials, and more digital resources.

[Student Art Contest - Order Promotional Items Today](#)

The Texas Department of Agriculture's (TDA) You Art What You Eat art contest offers Texas students a chance to earn statewide recognition for their artwork. Click here for more information about the contest, to order promotional materials, and to submit an entry.

[Holiday Meal Celebration Suggestions](#)

Holiday meal celebration suggestions and recipes for your district! Holiday meals may look different this year with supply chain issues. Use the Holiday Meal Celebration Suggestions to create a memorable holiday experience for your students. Please send any Holiday Meal Celebration photos to MealAppeal@TexasAgriculture.gov.

[Fun School Breakfast Quiz](#)

Use this quiz link as a way to promote your School Breakfast Program.

Deadlines

[Review This Month's Program Calendar Due Dates](#)

For upcoming deadlines, see the Program Year Calendar.

[Claim Deadline Reminder](#)

October claims are due by December 30th. Don't delay, submit claims timely!

[Transitioning to the User Access Manager](#)

TDA will begin a full transition to the User Access Manager for all entities and will retire the FND-101 form in Spring of 2022.

[TX-UNPS Document Upload Feature Unavailable December 16 – 21](#)

The feature to upload documentation via TX-UNPS to Texas Department of Agriculture's (TDA's) digital documentation storage (DSS) system will be unavailable from December 16 through December 21.

[School Food Authority \(SFA\) Verification Collection Report Due February 1](#)

CEs must report verification results in the School Food Authority (SFA) Verification Collection Report, FNS-742 by February 1, 2022.

[Onsite Monitoring Due February 1](#)

CEs that operate more than one site are required to conduct onsite reviews. Click for more information.

[Food Service Management Company \(FSMC\) Contract Process Ends December 31](#)

The FSMC contract process is open October 31 - December 31. Click for more information.

Policy Updates and Compliance Reminders

[Notice to Current User Access Managers](#)

Review entity users to ensure proper security groups align with their role and responsibilities.



[NEW RESOURCE - Record of Meal Pattern Deviations Due to COVID-19 Supply Chain Disruptions](#)

TDA has developed the Monthly Record of Meal Pattern Deviations Due to COVID-19 Supply Chain Disruptions Form, in which CEs can document instances during the COVID-19 pandemic when required food components were unavailable due to supply chain disruptions.

[Updated Resources on Procurement and Supply Chain Issues for SY 2021-2022](#)

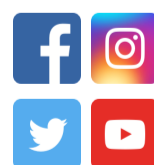
USDA continues to offer flexibilities in response to public health needs and to ease administrative burden, while still promoting nutritious meals. FNS has updated their resources to include additional information related to procurement and supply chain issues.

[Food Service Management Company \(FSMC\) Monitoring Form: Updates and New Guidance](#)

TDA released a new Food Service Management Company (FSMC) Monitoring Form that includes updated guidance and monitoring questions.



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