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October 2025 Monthly Newsletter

Final Rule Resource Survey

Visit [USDA](#) for more information on the Final Rule and upcoming changes. Let us know what kind of resources would best support you in implementing these new meal standards – [Click here!](#)

Fiscal Year 2026 CACFP & SFSP Area Eligibility Data Now Available

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is excited to announce that the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Area Eligibility mapper has been updated for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 and is available [here](#).

At the beginning of each fiscal year, USDA releases a special tabulation of American Community Survey (ACS) data provided by the United States Census Bureau, which can be used to establish area eligibility in both CACFP and SFSP. To make the data easier to use, the data release is accompanied by an interactive mapping tool, which now reflects the FY 2026 update.

Join us for the October "TANS Talk!"

Mark your calendar for [Thursday, October 9 from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. \(CDT\)!](#)

TANS Talk is an office hours session that will allow Organizations (formally known as CEs) to review TANS related updates. We are excited to share all of the new updates about this platform and answer any questions.

How to Participate in TANS Talk:

Use this [TANS Talk Feedback Form](#) to submit any TANS questions you would like to see reviewed during the call. We will cover questions received at least 48 hours prior to the call, allowing our team time to prepare for the meeting. Visit the [TANS homepage](#) and [Resources page](#) for access to past TANS Talks, updates, trainings, and more.



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