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CNS Update: Meal Service During Unanticipated School and Day Care Closures

USDA recently released [SP55 CACFP26 SFSP18-2016 Meal Service During Unanticipated School and Daycare Closures](#). This guidance provides Child Nutrition program sponsors the flexibility to help ensure that students and children do not experience a lapse in food security when schools or day care programs are forced to close due to extreme weather or other events.

In the event of an unanticipated closure, meals may be served through one of the summer meals programs or through the At-Risk Afterschool Meals component of the CACFP.

- Sponsors of the SFSP and SSO may offer up to two meal types to children 18 years of age and younger and be reimbursed at the appropriate free rates.
- Sponsors that normally offer an at-risk afterschool snack or supper may instead choose to offer either lunch and a snack, or breakfast and a snack, and be reimbursed through CACFP at the free rate.

Contact [Jennifer Mitchell](#), Summer Meals Supervisor, or your CACFP specialist, for more information.



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