



Office of Child Nutrition  
Scott Clements  
Director

May 26, 2017

Mrs. Nadene Arrington, Superintendent  
East Jasper Consolidated School District  
714 North Pine Street  
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Dear Mrs. Arrington:

The State Agency recently completed an Administrative Review of your district's National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) for the week of January 17, 2017. As part of the review process, an evaluation of the administrative and site levels was conducted. The results of the review are as follows:

**Administrative-**

- No findings.

**Operational** (site visit)----**Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality**

**William J. Berry Elementary School**

**National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program**

- **Breakfast Offer versus Serve (OVS):** Signage did not state the requirement for students to select at least 1/2 cup fruit or vegetable to have a reimbursable meal. **Technical assistance** provided that signage must be posted that states a student must have at least 3 items on their tray, 1 item must be at least 1/2 cup fruit/vegetable. Example signage and resources provided.
- **Lunch Offer versus Serve (OVS):** Signage did not state the requirement for students to select at least 1/2 cup fruit or vegetable to have a reimbursable meal. **Technical assistance** provided that signage must state at a student must have at least 3 of the 5 components on their tray, 1 being at least 1/2 cup of fruit or vegetable. Example signage and resources provided.

**General Program Compliance**

- **Professional Development:** Training was documented, but each individual's training was not being tracked. **Technical assistance** provided that job title and brief description of duties along with training hours for each individual should be tracked to ensure professional development hours are being met.

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## **Other Federal Program Reviews**

### **After School Care Program (ASCP)**

Document review

- **Technical assistance** provided that the application should have been changed to reflect that ASCP was not going to operate for current school year.

### **Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)**

- **Technical assistance** was provided that since the program did not operate each month, it is important to be mindful that the money for the program must be spent before the end of the school year. It is important the program continue to introduce school children to a variety of produce that they otherwise might not have the opportunity to sample.

I would like to thank Ms. Kimberly Pierce, School Food Administrator as well as all staff for the excellent job they do in planning and providing reimbursable meals for the children in the East Jasper Consolidated School District. Ms. Pierce does an excellent job with the Child Nutrition program and her dedication is appreciated.

A detailed response to the above findings is due by **June 26, 2017**. If you have any questions concerning this review or need assistance, please call Ginger Gibson or me at (601) 576-4955.

Sincerely,



Alvin Edney, Program Specialist  
Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

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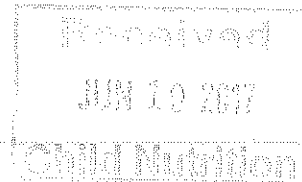
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Dear Mr. Edney:

The East Jasper School District would like to thank you for your time and dedication demonstrated during the Administrative Review of our district's National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs. During your assessment the following were observed and corrected as follows:

**National School Lunch Program and National School Breakfast Program**

- **Breakfast Offer versus Serve (OVS):** the OVS statement was outdated for breakfast. Signage did not state the requirement for a minimum of 3 components (Grain, Fruit/Vegetable and Milk), at least 4 items and that the student must pick up at least 3 items (one being a fruit or vegetable) to have a reimbursable meal.
- **Lunch Offer versus Serve (OVS):** the OVS statement for lunch did not state the requirement to pick up at least 1/2 cup of fruit or vegetable with a reimbursable meal.

**Technical assistance** provided that breakfast and lunch OVS signage must reflect the current requirements. The Office of Child Nutrition can assistance in providing or helping to create the correct signage.

**Ms. Cedra Smith my Technical Assistant advisor provided me with samples of OVS signage and explained in detail OVS.**

**General Program Compliance**

- **Professional Development:** Training was documented, but each individual's training was not being tracked. **Technical assistance** provided that job title and brief description of duties along with training hours for each individual should be tracked to ensure professional development hours are being met.
- **Ms. Smith reiterated the importance of tracking all training hours for each individual and recommended how to list the names and tracking information to be viewed at a glance.**

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**The application has been corrected to reflect the necessary changes.**

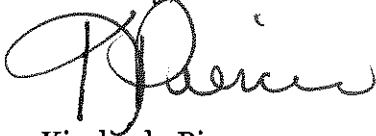
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- **Technical assistance** was provided that since the program did not operate each month, it is important to be mindful that the money for the program must be spent before the end of the school year. It is important the program continue to introduce school children to a variety of produce that they otherwise might not have the opportunity to sample.

**Ms. Smith assisted me with the means of purchasing exotic fruits, vegetables, equipment and supplies needed to operate the program more efficiently.**

Thank you, for your dedication and commitment to the East Jasper School District ensuring that we operate in accordance to the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Pierce,  
Director of Child Nutrition



Office of Child Nutrition  
**Scott Clements**  
Director

June 27, 2017

Mrs. Nadene Arrington, Superintendent  
East Jasper Consolidated School District  
714 North Pine Street  
Heidelberg, MS 39439-0000

Dear Mrs. Arrington:

Your district's response to the findings of our Administrative Review of your 2016-2017 National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) has been received and accepted. We are closing the file on this review.

If you have any questions concerning this review or need assistance, please call Ginger Gibson or me at (601) 576-4955.

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