

November 30, 2021

Forrest Co AHS Dr. Donna Boone, Executive Officer 215 Old Highway 49 East Brooklyn, MS 39425-0000

Dear Dr. Boone:

The State Agency (SA) completed an Administrative Review (AR) of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) during the week of October 18, 2021. An exit conference was conducted on November 29, 2021. The regulations governing the Administrative Review (7 CFR 210.18) require the SA to review two Critical Areas: Performance Standard 1 (Meal Access and Reimbursement) and Performance Standard 2 (Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality). The Review additionally covers several General Areas of Review. Over the course of the SA Review, **one (1) finding was identified, and this was a Performance Standard 2 violation.** The SA is pleased to report that **the finding has not resulted in fiscal action.** The finding which was identified is described below.

Performance Standard 2: Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality

• In accordance with 7 CFR 210.10 (c), School Food Authorities (SFA) must serve meals that comply with the meal pattern and meet weekly targets for vegetable subgroups. A review of the nutrient analysis revealed that the SFA did not serve a sufficient quantity of the legume vegetable subgroup over the course of the review week. The SA will not seek fiscal action in this matter to align with USDA guidance (COVID-19 Child Nutrition Response #100). In order to implement and demonstrate corrective action, the SFA must modify their menu to include all vegetable subgroups in required quantities.

The School Food Authority (SFA) **must provide a corrective action response to all findings** of the Review by **December 30, 2021**. This response must be entered into the Mississippi Application and Reimbursement System (MARS) by an authorized signatory for the Child Nutrition Programs. If an authorized signatory is unable to access the Compliance module in MARS, the district must submit a corrective action plan on District letterhead that is signed by an authorized signatory.

In addition to conducting the AR, one of the functions of the SA is to provide Technical Assistance (TA). During the course of the review, the SA Reviewer provided TA in several areas to the CND. TA is documented in MARS, specifically in the "Technical

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Assistance" section of the "Compliance" Module. TA is provided for the improvement of the program operations and is not considered a finding.

The SA would like to commend the SFA for a job well done. The director and staff work very well together and show a great love for the children.

If you have any questions regarding this review, or if you would like to request additional assistance, please email me at <u>jmay@mdek12.org</u> or call Mary Burks or me at (601) 576-5000.

Sincerely,

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Jimmy May, Program Specialist Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

cc: File NSLP (AR) 2021/2022 Vickie Catt, Food Administrator

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January 5, 2022

Forrest Co AHS Dr. Donna Boone, Superintendent 215 Old Highway 49 East Brooklyn, MS 39425-0000

Dear Dr. Boone:

Your response to the findings of our Administrative Review of your 2021-2022 National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) has been received and accepted in the Mississippi Application and Reimbursement System (MARS). We are closing the file on this review.

If you have any questions concerning this review or need assistance, please call Mary Burks or me at (601) 576-5000. Thank you for your continued support of the Child Nutrition Programs.

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Jiimmy May, Program Specialist Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

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