

December 21, 2021

Holly Springs School District Dr. Irene Walton-Turnage, Superintendent 840 Highway 178 East Holly Springs, MS 38635-0000

Dear Walton-Turnage:

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 November 17, 2021. An exit conference was conducted on December 9, 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, **two (2) total findings were identified relating to Performance Standard 2.** The SA is pleased to report that **none of the findings have resulted in fiscal action.** The findings which were identified are described below.

## Performance Standard 2: Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality

- In accordance with 7 CFR 220.8(c), the SFA must offer the food components and quantities required by the breakfast meal pattern. The Reviewer noted that the SFA is not offering enough fruit at breakfast by only offering 1/2 cup daily. The SA will not seek fiscal action in this matter to align with USDA guidance (COVID-19 Child Nutrition Response #100). In order to demonstrate corrective action, the SFA must submit a revised menu and provide training to the staff on the meal pattern. Documentation of corrective action must be submitted to the SA.
- In accordance with 7 CFR 210.10 (c), the SFA must offer the food components and quantities required in the lunch meal pattern. The Nutrient Analysis revealed that the SFA is not serving enough whole grains. The SFA's current approved waiver stipulates that the SFA must serve 50% Whole Grain Rich (WGR) items over the course of the week, and the SFA is not meeting that goal. The SA will not seek fiscal action in this matter to align with USDA guidance (COVID-19 Child Nutrition Response #100). In order to demonstrate corrective action, the SFA must revise the menu and nutrient analysis to include a sufficient quantity of WGR items. Documentation of corrective action must be submitted to the SA.

500 Greymont Avenue, Suite F P.O. Box 771 Jackson, MS 39205-0771 The School Food Authority (SFA) **must provide a corrective action response to all findings** of the Review by **January 21**, **2022**. 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 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 demonstrate care 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 Frederick Prowell, Child Nutrition Director

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January 14, 2022

Holly Springs School District Dr. Irene Walton-Turnage, Executive Officer 840 Highway 178 East Holly Springs, MS 38635-0000

Dear Dr. Walton-Turnage:

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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