

March 21, 2022

Nativity B.V.M Elementary School Ms. Traci Kessler, Executive Officer 1046 Beach Blvd Biloxi, MS 39530-3742

Dear Ms. Kessler:

The State Agency (SA) completed an Administrative Review (AR) of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), and After School Care Program (ASCP), during the week of Februay 21, 2022. An exit conference was conducted on March 16, 2022. 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 relating to Performance Standard 2.** The SA is pleased to report that **this finding has not resulted in fiscal action.** The finding which was identified is described below.

Performance Standard 2 (Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality)

• The SFA is required to serve breakfast meals in accordance with the meal pattern described at 7 CFR 220.8 (c). According to the production book, menu, and Nutrient Analysis, the SFA was only offering a half cup of fruit which is insufficient. The State Agency 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 provide training to all relevant staff on the breakfast meal pattern and rework the menu to be compliant with regulatory requirements.

The School Food Authority (SFA) **must provide a corrective action response to all findings** of the Review by **April 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 doing an exemplary job in management of the CN program. Despite being a small operation, are extremely resourceful with what they have.

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,

Jimmy May, Program Specialist

Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

cc: File NSLP (AR) 2021/2022

Martha Montiforte, Child Nutrition Director



March 25, 2022

Nativity B.V.M Elementary School Ms. Traci Kessler, Executive Officer 1046 Beach Blvd Biloxi, MS 39530-3742

Dear Ms. Kessler:

Your response to the findings of our Administrative Review of your 2021-2022 National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), and After School Care Program (ASCP) 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.

Sincerely,

Jinamy May, Program Specialist

Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

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Martha Montiforte, Child Nutrition Director