

March 8, 2023

Jackson County School District
Dr. John Strycker, Superintendent
13724 Highway 57
P.O. Box 5069
Vanceleave, MS 39565

Dear Dr. Strycker:

Your response to the findings of our Administrative Review of your 2022-2023 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 Marianna Chauvin or me at (601) 576-5000. Thank you for your continued support of the Child Nutrition Programs.

Sincerely,



Taquasia Hicks, Program Specialist
Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

cc: File NSLP (AR) 2022-2023
Ashley Harris, Child Nutrition Director

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February 17, 2023

Jackson County School District
Dr. John Strycker, Superintendent
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Dear Dr. Strycker:

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 November 14, 2022. An exit conference was conducted on January 19, 2023. 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, **three (3) total findings were identified, including zero (0) relating to Performance Standard 1 and 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.

LEA Level Findings

- In accordance with 7 CFR 210.11, all snacks vending during the normal school day must meet Smart Snack regulations. The Reviewer noted that the vending machines at East Central High School had non-compliant sizes of Body Armor Lyte stocked. In order to demonstrate corrective action, the LEA must submit a corrective action plan to ensure only compliant beverages are stocked in the vending machines.

General Program Compliance (General Areas of Review)

- In accordance with FNS 113-1 AR Manual Section IX (B) (2) 7 CFR 245.5, program material should utilize the correct non-discrimination statement. The Reviewer noted that non-discrimination statement on verification letter had not been updated to the most recent statement. In order to demonstrate corrective action, the SFA corrected statement on verification letters on site. No Further action is necessary.
- In accordance with SP 39-2019, water cannot compete with milk. The Reviewer noted that bottled water was in the same cooler as milk. In order to demonstrate corrective action, the SFA must submit a corrective action plan.

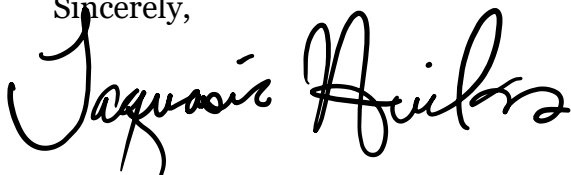
The School Food Authority (SFA) **must provide a corrective action response to all findings** of the Review by **March 20, 2023**. This response must be entered into the Mississippi Application and Reimbursement System (MARS) by an authorized signatory for the Child Nutrition Programs. If an authorized 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 their implementation of the share table; all kitchens were clean, organized, and efficient; and SFA make obvious efforts to promote vegetable consumption.

If you have any questions regarding this review, or if you would like to request additional assistance, please email me at thicks@mdek12.org or call Marianna Chauvin or me at (601) 576-5000.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Taquasia Hicks". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Taquasia Hicks, Program Specialist
Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

cc: File NSLP (AR) 2021/2022