

September 7, 2023

South Pike Cons School District Dr. Angela Lowery, Superintendent 250 West Bay Street Magnolia, MS 39652-9870

Dear Dr. Lowery:

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

Sincerely,

Tiffany Powell, Director of Monitoring

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Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

cc: File NSLP (AR) 2022-2023

Charleen Hackett, Child Nutrition Director

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May 16, 2023

South Pike Consolidated School District Dr. Angela Lowery, Superintendent 250 West Bay Street Magnolia, MS 39652-9870

Dear Dr. Lowery:

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 April 17, 2023. An exit conference was conducted on May 3, 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, **one (1) finding was identified.** The SA is pleased to report that **the finding did not result in fiscal action.** The finding which was identified is described below:

General Program Compliance (General Areas of Review)

• In accordance with 7 CFR 210.13(d), the School Food Authority (SFA) shall ensure the necessary facilities for storage, preparation and service of food are maintained. Handling, storage, and distribution of purchased and donated foods shall properly safeguard against theft, spoilage and other loss. When on-site, the Reviewer noted all products were not dated, indicating FIFO (first in first out) is not properly implemented. There is also a lot of overstock in the freezer. In order to demonstrate corrective action, the SFA must provide documents showing that there are dates on everything and they have implemented FIFO. The SFA shall retrain staff on the importance of dating prodocts and the use of FIFO and work through the overstock, providing documentation the freezer is organized.

The School Food Authority (SFA) **must provide a corrective action response to all findings** of the Review by **June 15, 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 SFSA on how great it was to work with her when it came to the Administrative Review. The kitchen staff did a wonderful job providing students with appetizing meals and making sure they received all required meal components.

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

Sincerely,

Chelsea Edwards, Program Specialist

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