

September 21, 2023

South Tippah School District  
Mr. Tony Elliot, Superintendent  
402 Greenlee St.  
Ripley, MS 38663

Dear Mr. Elliot,

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 regarding this review, or if you would like to request additional assistance, please email me at [thicks@mdek12.org](mailto:thicks@mdek12.org) or call Marianna Chauvin or me at (601) 576-5000.

Sincerely,



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

cc: File NSLP (AR) 2022/2023  
Mrs. Melissa Hood, Child Nutrition Supervisor

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Dear Mr. Elliot,

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 February 13, 2023. An exit conference was conducted on March 20, 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 finding which was identified is described below.

### **General Program Compliance (General Areas of Review)**

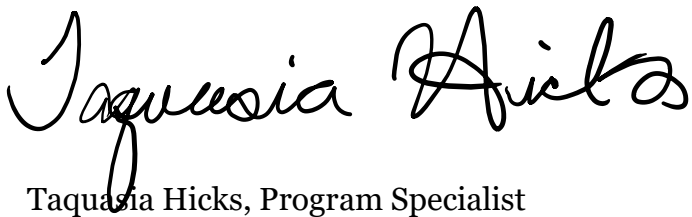
- In accordance with SP 39-2019, water made available to students in National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) shall not compete with milk. The Reviewer noted that water was located in the same cooler as milk. The SFA has already submitted a corrective action plan; as such no further action is necessary.

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 Mrs. Hurt for providing documentation promptly. We would also like to commend the SFA staff on how clean and organized the kitchen was. Additionally, great customers service was displayed.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Taquasia Hicks". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'T' and 'H'.

Taquasia Hicks, Program Specialist  
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