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NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

#### TIPS FOR COMPLETING THE VERIFICATION REPORT SY 2021-22





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### **OPENING THE VERIFICATION REPORT**

- Log in to TX-UNPS
- Select Applications in School Nutrition Programs
- Select Verification Report

Applications   Claims   Compliance	Reports Security Search			
	Reports   Security   Search	Programs   Year   Help   Log		
Applications >		School Year: 2021		
Item	Description			
Contracting Entity Manager	SNP Contracting Entity's Profile,	Site and Hold Information		
Application Packet	Applications Forms (Contracting Entity and Site)			
Attachment B	Policy Statement for Free and Reduced-Price Meals, Attachment B: Meal Count/Collection Procedure(s)			
Attachment B: Upload Attachments	Manage the upload of attachmen	Manage the upload of attachments for the Attachment B form		
Second Review of Applications	FNS-874 report for Contracting Entitys selected to conduct a second review of applications.			
Verification Report	Mandatory Annual Verification Report			
Verification Summary	Mandatory Annual Verification Re	port (FNS-742) Summary		
Food Safety Inspections	Number of Food Safety Inspectio	ns by Site		
Food Safety Inspections Summary	Number of Food Safety Inspectio	ns by Site Summary		
Annual Audits	Annual Audits			
Financial Report	School Food Annual Revenues an	d Expenditures Report		
Financial Report Summary	School Food Annual Revenues and Expenditures Report Summary			
FFVP Summary	Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Invitations and Approvals			
FFVP Application Packet	Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Application Forms (SFA and Site)			
FFVP Grants	Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Progra	m Grant Information for a specific CE		
FFVP Grant Overview	Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Progra	m Grant Information by Site Overview		
Summer Nutrition Program Costs	Total Costs Associated with Open	ating a Summer Nutrition Program		
Capital Expenditure Request	Request for funds to purchase ca	pital items >= \$5,000		
Community Eligibility Provision	Enrollment and Eligibility for Con	nmunity Eligibility Provision		
Texas Summer Mandate	Summer Nutrition Programs Inte	nt Declaration		
Texas Summer Mandate Summary	Summer Nutrition Programs Inte	nt Summary		
Direct Certification / Direct Verification	Direct Certification / Direct Verifi	cation screens		
MENU Module	Menu Planning and Analysis mod	ule		
Download Forms	Forms Available for Downloading			



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Select Modify

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### VERIFICATION REPORT (FNS-742)

- Required report for all SFAs and RCCIs operating the National School Lunch Program and/or the School Breakfast Program
  - SFAs that are Special Milk Only are exempt from filing a verification report
- Verification process must be completed by Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup> on applications on file October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Based on student enrollment data of Oct 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Report must be completed in TX-UNPS before Feb.1<sup>st</sup>.



### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

000000	General Information	
	Type of Organization: Public Verification Contact Information	This will be auto-filled with information. Please update with the contact
	1. Name:	information of the person actually completing the report in case TDA
	2. Email Address:	needs to contact you .
	3. Phone: Ext: Fax:	
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000000	Due Date: February 01,	
-	Instructions	
	ANNUALLY, each SFA, including ALL RCCIs, with schools operating the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and/or School Breakfast Program (SBP) must report verification information. All SFAs, including SFAs with all schools exempt from verification requirements, must complete applicable sections.	
00000	NOTE: SFAs that are Special Milk Only are exempt from filing an SFA Verification Collection Report.	



Watch that the correct numbers go in the correct box. Schools in Column A. Students are in TX-UNPS Screen Column B Section 1 – Total Schools, Residential Child Care institutions (RCCIs), and Enrolled Students All SFAs must report Section 1. Report schools or institutions operating the NSLP and/or SBP as of the last operating day in October. A Number of B Number of Schools OR Students Number of Institutions Total schools (Do not include RCCIs): 1-1B students as of 1-1 1-1A Total RCCIs (Do not include schools counted in 1-1): 1-2 1-2A 1-2B Oct 31st RCCIs with day students (Report only day students in 1-2aB): 1-2aB 1-2aA 1-2a RCCIs with NO day students: 1-2b 1-2bA 1-2bB

All student and application counts MUST match the counts reported on the Preliminary Verification Report submitted in November. RCCI – If you have numbers in 1-2, there will be numbers in 1-2a and/or 1-2b. If there are numbers in 1-2a or 1-2b, there must be numbers in 1-2



#### For any SFA operating alternate provisions such as Provision 2 or CEP



There are 3 parts to #2-2 (non-base year). Don't skip if you answered 2-2

If all sites participate in a special provision program, the enrollment count must match the enrollment reported in Section 1.



#### SECTION 3 All SFAs must respond to Section 3

All sites must be either Provision 2 or CEP. If RCCI, all students must be residential only.

3-1

B. Number of

Free Students.

3-2

3-3

3-4

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Section 3 – Students approved as FREE eligible NOT subject to verification

All SFAs must report Section 3 or check box 3-1, if applicable. Report students approved FREE eligible as of the last operating day in October.

- 3-1 Check the box only if all schools and/or RCCIs in the SFA were not required to perform direct certification with SNAP (i.e. NON BASE year Provision 2/3 for all schools)
- 3-2 Students directly certified through Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP): Do not include students certified with SNAP through the letter method.
- 3-3 Students directly certified through other programs: Include those directly certified through Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Medicaid (if applicable); those documented as homeless, migrant, runaway, foster, Head Start, Pre-K, Even Start, or non-applicant, but approved by local officials. DO NOT include SNAP students already reported in 3-2.
- 3-4 Student certified categorically FREE eligible through SNAP letter method. Include students certified for free meals through the family providing a letter from the SNAP agency.

Medicaid Reduced-Price is NOT reported here. It is only reported on the Preliminary Verification Report.

Report student counts from sites not participating in a special provision programs is reported in Section 3.

Numbers reported here MUST match numbers reported on the Preliminary Verification Report.



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Most common mistake – switching number of applications and students. The number in A should be less than or equal the number in B, unless students that submitted applications were directly certified in October. Please keep documentation to support this if it happens.

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#### Section 4 – Students approved as FREE or REDUCED PRICE eligible through a household application

All SFA collecting applications must report Section 4. Report number of applications (A) approved as of October 1st. Report number of students (B) as of the last operating day in October.

Approved as categorically FREE Eligible. Based on those providing 4-1 documentation (e.g. a case number for SNAP, TANF, FDPIR on application)

Approved as FREE eligible. Based on household size and income 4-2 information

Approved as REDUCED PRICE eligible. Based on household size and 4-3 income information

Total FREE Eligible Students Reported

Total Reduced PRICE Eligible Students Reported



Counts reported here **MUST** match counts reported on Preliminary Verification Report.

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#### Section 5

All SFAs must report Section 5 or check box 5-1 if applicable.

5-1 Check the box if ALL schools and/or RCCIS are exempt from verification, or ALL schools are Provision schools in a base year.

If 5-1 is check, no further reporting in Section 5 is required.

- 5-2 Was verification performed and completed?
  - Yes, completed by November 15th
  - Yes, completed after November 15th
  - No, verification was NOT performed or the process was not completed
- 5-3 Type of Verification process used:
  - Standard (Lesser of 3% or 3,000 error-prone)
  - Alternate one (Lesser of 3% or 3,000 selected randomly)
  - Alternate two (Lesser of 1% or 1,000 error prone applications PLUS lesser of one-half of one

percent or 500 applications with SNAP/TNAF/FDPIR case numbers)

- 5-4 Total ERROR PRONE applications: Report all applications as of October 1<sup>st</sup> considered error prone.
- 5-5 Number of applications selected for verification sample:

5-4	
5-5	

5-1



Error-prone applications are household applications approved as of October 1<sup>st</sup> indicating monthly income within \$100 of the monthly limit of annual income within \$1,200 of the annual limit of the applicable income eligibility guidelines.



ALL SFAs must report 5-7 or check box 5-6 if applicable.

#### 5-6 Check the box if direct verification was not conducted in the SFA, (i.e. not one of the schools and/cr RCCIs in the SFA performed direct verification). If 5-6 is checked, skip 5-7.

A. Number of B. Number of Applications Students 0

0

0

- 5-7 Confirmed through direct verification: Report if FREE and/or REDUCED PRICE eligibility is confirmed through direct verification with SNAP/TANF/FDPIR/MEDICAID as of November 15th.
- 5-8 Results of Verification by Original Benefit Type

For each original benefit type (A, B, & C), report the number of applications and students as of November 15th for each result category (1, 2, 3, & 4). Do NOT include students and applications already reported in 5-7A or 5-7B (direct verification applications and students).

	A. FREE-Categorically Eligible Certified as FREE based on SNAP/TANF/FDPIR documentation (e.g. case number) on application		B. FREE-Income Certified as FREE based on income/household size application		C. REDUCED PRICE-Income Certified as REDUCED PRICE based on income/household size application	
Result Category	a. Applications	b. Students	a. Applications	b. Students	a. Applications	b. Students
1. Responded, NO CHANGE:	0	0	1	2	1	1
2. Responded, Changed to REDUCED	REDUCED PRICE		REDUCED PRICE		FREE	
PRICE / FREE:	0	0	1	1	0	0
3. Responded, Changed to PAID:	0	0	0	0	3	9
4. NOT Responded, Changed to PAID:	0	0	4	6	0	0

VC-1 Total questionable applications verified for cause (Enter "N/A" if not applicable): Report the number of applications as of November 15th verified for cause in addition to the verification requirement.



• The number of students are reported in the fields ending in "b".

The number of applications in 5-7 and 5-8 should equal the number of applications in 5-5.

**IMPORTANT:** If you verified any applications for cause during the same timeframe, include the results of verification for cause by original benefit type in the appropriate category in 5-8.



#### RESOURCES

- SquareMeals.org
- ARM, Section 6
- Texas ELMS
- fns.usda.gov/cnd



#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT You understand and acknowledge the following:

- the training you have completed does not cover the entire scope of the program; and that
- you are responsible for knowing and understanding all handbooks, manuals, alerts, notices and guidance, as well as any other forms of communication that provide further guidance, clarification or instruction on operating the program.



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