



Serving Up Great School Meals Webinar
Discussion
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How can we get the copy of the SNA Chain Reaction article you mentioned? Can you share the link?

http://schoolnutrition.org/uploadedFiles/11COVID-19/3_Webinar_Series_and_Other_Resources/COVID-19-Chain-Reaction.pdf

How is the stock for to go containers? Styrofoam or foil with compartments?

Vendors stated the inventory of to go containers have been restocked as of now.

What about the 3 comp plastic trays, is there going to be a short on them?

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Are the number of minimum cases we have to order changing?

US Foods requires a 10 case minimum which also includes USDA food orders. Cash-Wa continues to have a minimum order of \$400.00.

Are we allowed to only serve white milk either for breakfast or breakfast and lunch?

As of now, there is no flexibility on offering a variety of milk choices as required in the meal patterns for breakfast and lunch. Schools may have students indicate their choice of milk when morning meal counts are taken.

Will there be shortages on 100% juice boxes, like the 4 oz. Apple & Eves?

Vendors indicated there is not currently a shortage of 100% juice boxes.

How is the supply of Smuckers PBJ's looking?

Currently on backorder.

Do you carry condiments in individual packets?

Yes, they are more expensive per serving but save on labor.

Do any of the vendors carry individual salad dressings?

Ventura, Miracle Whip, Heinz and Marzetti all make them. You can check with your vendor.

Will your companies be shipping substitute products if you run out of an item for our orders?

The substitutions are set up with your sales rep for each site. Most sites do not prefer auto substitutions because they prefer a certain brand or product spec.

Are sporks heavy duty that they will be able to be used on meats, salads etc.?

The sporks and spork packs are medium weight.

Do you have a snack size Ziploc, half size of sandwich bag?

Yes, but they have been out of stock for some time. From Deb Danner: saddlebags with a taper machine may be an idea for a cheaper sandwich bag.

Do we have to register for Nebraska Thursdays every year?

New participants can register at <https://www.education.ne.gov/ns/farm-to-school/nebraska-thursdays/registration-form/>. Those that participated in SY19-20 can complete this quick survey and be automatically registered for SY20-21 <https://bit.ly/2DbM6Z3>.

Any news on the FFVP grants?

No update at this time.

Do we have a date on the apple crunch day for Oct 2020?

Apple crunch is now known as the Crunch Off. The Nebraska Crunch Off date is set for October 22, 2020 (or any date in October). Schools will receive a reminder postcard and emails as we get closer to the month of October.

Will we get credit hours certificates for each video as we watch them?

Certificates will not be issued at this time. You can track your hours earned for watching the videos on one of our Training logs found at: <https://www.education.ne.gov/ns/nslp/professional-standards/>

Will there be onsite reviews this year with Covid issues?

USDA has not issued guidance on Administrative Reviews conducted in SY 2020-21. SFA's will be notified well in advance if an Administrative Review or other type of onsite review will be conducted.

What precautions should we take when cleaning lunchroom between groups?

Follow proper cleaning and sanitizing procedures.

How do you know how many credit hours you have? How do you count the hours?

Training activities lasting 15 minutes or more can be recorded to count toward your annual training requirement. If a training does not state the number of training hours, Continuing Education Units or provide a certificate, you can document your hours on one of the training logs found here: <https://www.education.ne.gov/ns/nslp/professional-standards/>. One hour of training counts as one hour on a training log or one Continuing Education Unit; therefore, 15 minutes of training counts as .25 hour.

Can we have student wash tables?

Yes, as long as the students have been trained to properly clean and sanitize.

Will there be certificates issued for each video watched in the school meals 2020 annual training?

Certificates will not be issued at this time. You can track your hours from this training on one of our Training logs found at: <https://www.education.ne.gov/ns/nslp/professional-standards/>

Where can we find the training log at for hours?

Training logs at the bottom of this page: <https://www.education.ne.gov/ns/nslp/professional-standards/>

Any idea if we need to put an extension above our sneeze guard like seen in most stores now?

You can send Beth a picture to review @ Beth.Haas@nebraska.gov

We are having a hard time find plastic utensils without salt, any ideas that don't require a lot of additional labor?

Vendors indicated a supply of pre-packaged plastic silverware packages without salt are in stock.

Will these trainings be recorded to view later?

Yes, on the Nutrition Services homepage at: <https://www.education.ne.gov/ns/>