Memorandum

Date: April 12, 2012

To: School Food Authorities and School Food Service Administrators

From: Scott Clements, Director
Office of Child Nutrition

Subject: Regional Training Sessions on New Nutrition Standards

The Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Child Nutrition, will conduct regional training sessions on the USDA- FNS New Nutrition Standards required to administer the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). School foodservice administrators from public school districts and a representative from non-public school organizations responsible for operating the Child Nutrition program are strongly encouraged to attend one of these sessions. The sessions will focus on the revised meal pattern, weighted averages, marketing and messaging, the 6 cent reimbursement, and other CNP updates. Implementation of the new meal pattern requirements begins July 1, 2012.

Attendance is limited to one participant per organization. Please register for the session nearest your school district/organization through our OCeaN website. Participants attending the April trainings should register online by April 18, 2012. Participants attending the May trainings should register online by April 25, 2012. To access our OCeaN website, go to https://ocean.mde.k12.ms.us, login with your user ID and password, select Training, select Calendar, then select the New Meal Pattern Training for the date and location you will attend, scroll to bottom and click Register. Then follow the prompts to complete your registration. Please register for only one site online. If you get an error message, that session is full and you will need to select another site. If for some reason you cannot access OCeaN, please complete the attached registration form and fax it to our office at 601-354-7595. Please do not send in a registration form if you have registered via OCeaN. Training sites and dates are listed below.

- April 24, 2012: Bankcorp South Arena, 375 E. Main Street, Tupelo, MS 38804
- April 25, 2012: Charlie J. Capps Technology Center, 920 Hwy 82, West, Indianola, MS 38751
- April 26, 2012: Clyde Muse Center, Hinds Community College-Rankin Campus, 515 Country Place Parkway, Pearl, MS 39208* (*This April 26th session will be taped and placed on the MDE-Office of Child Nutrition website)
- April 30, 2012: Hattiesburg Public School District Board Room, 301 Mamie Street, Hattiesburg, MS 39401
- May 1, 2012: Harrison County School District Central Office, 11072 Hwy 49, Gulfport, MS
- May 2, 2012: Pearl, MS – Clyde Muse Center, Hinds Community College-Rankin Campus, 515 Country Place Parkway, Pearl, MS 39208

Once we receive your registration information, you will be mailed a confirmation and a map to the location. We look forward to these sessions as an opportunity to keep your school district or organization informed of changes to the program. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the Division of Training at 601-576-4970, or our Help Desk at 601-576-4963.

“Quality Education for Every Child”
500 Greymont Avenue, Suite F  •  P.O. Box 771  •  Jackson, MS 39205-0771
Focus: **New Nutrition Standards: The Meal Pattern Changes** a discussion of USDA meal pattern changes and requirements for implementation.

Presenters: Presenters: OCN Staff  
Guest Presenter: Dayle Hayes, MS, RD. - Nationally recognized consultant, speaker, and trainer

When & Where:  
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May 1, 2012: Harrison County School District Central Office, 11072 Hwy 49, Gulfport, MS 39503  
May 2, 2012: Clyde Muse Center, Hinds Community College-Rankin Campus, 515 Country Place Parkway, Pearl, MS 39208

Time:  
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration  
9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Morning Session  
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch (On Your Own)  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Afternoon Session

Participants: All School Foodservice Administrators from public school districts and representatives of non-public school organizations responsible for operating Child Nutrition Program. **Due to space limitations, only one person per organization may attend.**

Action Needed: Register on-line through OCeaN at [https://ocean.mde.k12.ms.us](https://ocean.mde.k12.ms.us), login with your user ID and password, select Training, select Calendar, April 2012 or May 2012, select New Meal Pattern Training for nearest date and location, scroll to bottom and click Register. Then follow the prompts to complete your registration. Please register for only one site online. If you get an error message, that session is full and you will need to select another site. **If for some reason you cannot access OCeaN, please complete the registration form below and fax it to our office at 601-354-7595. Please do not send in a registration form if you have registered via OCeaN.** We will mail your registration confirmation and a map to the location prior to training.

Questions: Call Division of Training at 601-576-4970, or our Help Desk at 601-576-4963.

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**Attached form to return**

Name ___________________________________________ School District or Organization ___________________________________________  
(Please type or print legibly)  
Area Code + Phone No. __________________________ Fax No. __________________________

Please register for only one session online. If the site selected is full, you must register for another session. If you cannot access OCeaN, mark one choice below and fax this registration form to our office at 601-354-7595.

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