

List of USDA Family First Coronavirus Response Act Waivers:

Waiver, Flexibility, or Program	Description	Expiration date
Unexpected School Closures	In the early days of the pandemic response FNS provided guidance and flexibility regarding where and how school meals could be served during closures. On March 9, 2020, FNS began approving waivers enabling Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and National School Lunch Program Seamless Summer Option (SSO) sponsors to serve meals in a non-congregate setting and at school sites during school closures related to the coronavirus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
Pandemic EBT	The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (P.L. 116-127) (FFCRA or the Act) authorized a temporary assistance program for households with children affected by school closures during the public health emergency that was declared on January 27, 2020. On March 20, 2020 the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) announced and began accepting State plans for the Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School year 2020-2021
Nationwide Meal Times Waiver	Waiver for meals be served to kids outside traditional times to maximize flexibility for meal pick-up.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2021

Nationwide Non-congregate Feeding Waiver	Waiver allowing meals to be served in non-group settings to support social distancing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30 2021
Nationwide Waiver to Allow Offer Versus Serve Flexibility for Senior High Schools in NSLP for School Year 2020–2021	Waives the offer versus serve requirement will support safe access to nutritious meals. Additionally, the waiver enables schools to offer complete meals for delivery or pickup for students doing distance learning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2021
Nationwide Afterschool Activity Waiver	Paused requirements for enrichment activities to accompany afterschool meals & snacks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2020
Nationwide Meal Pattern Waiver	Grants states the flexibility to serve meals that do not meet meal pattern requirements when needed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2021
Nationwide Parent/Guardian Meal Pick-Up Waiver	Permits parents/guardians to pick-up meals and bring them home to their children.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2021
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Parent Pick Up Waiver	Enables parents/guardians to pick-up FFVP foods and bring them home to their children.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2020
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Alternate Sites Waiver	Enables approved school food authorities to offer FFVP foods from elementary schools closed due to COVID-19 at SSO and SFSP sites operating during school closures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2020
Nationwide Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Data Waiver	Extends the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) deadlines for the School Year 2020-2021. The deadlines affected by this waiver include the CEP election, notification and reporting deadlines. This waiver applies to state and local educational agencies (LEAs) administering the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), and CEP.	<p>Data Used to Calculate ISP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anytime between April 1-June 30, 2020 <p>LEA Notification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 15, 2020 <p>State Agency Notification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 15, 2020 <p>State Agency Publication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30, 2020 <p>Elect CEP for Following School Year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 31, 2020
Nationwide Waivers of Child Nutrition Monitoring	Provides flexibilities to certain onsite monitoring requirements for the National School Lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 31, 2020

	Program, School Breakfast Program, Child and Adult Care Food Program, and the Summer Food Service Programs.	
Area Eligibility Waivers	Enables SSO and SFSP providers to operate in areas where less than 50% of students are designated for free and reduced priced lunch.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 31, 2020
60-Day Reporting Waiver	Extended the reporting deadline for all state agencies, school food authorities and organizations associated with the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), the School Breakfast Program (SBP), the Special Milk Program (SMP), the Child and Adult Food Care Program (CACFP), and the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) by 60 day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadlines for these two claims months are extended for 30 calendar days from their original required date of submission.
Nationwide Waiver of Food Management Company Contract Duration Requirements	Permit school food authorities (SFAs) and summer food service program (SFSP) sponsors to extend existing food service management companies (FSMC) contracts that would not otherwise be eligible for extension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Year 2020-2021 or June 30, 2021.
Nationwide Waiver of Local School Wellness Assessments	Nationwide waiver to support schools unable to complete a triennial assessment of the local school wellness policies due to school closures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEAs required to complete a triennial assessment by June 30, 2020, may choose to accept the new regulatory deadline and instead complete their first assessment by June 30, 2021.