



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



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Dear SFA Director:

During the coming months, you will receive invitations to complete two surveys seeking information about Child Nutrition Program operations during school year 2022-2023.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is conducting a web survey of all SFAs that operate Child Nutrition Programs. This survey will collect information on the continued challenges SFAs are facing due to ongoing food and labor supply chain disruptions, as well as the ways in which the transition to standard operations is impacting student participation in nutrition programs. Your participation is vital to providing FNS with information they need to support school districts during this difficult time. **FNS expects to provide all SFAs with a link to this survey in November 2022.**

You will receive a separate invitation from SNA to complete a web survey requesting additional information on supply chain disruptions, including impacts on procurement and staffing, and other pressing issues facing School Nutrition Directors and Supervisors. These responses are critical to shaping organizational support that SNA will provide its membership in the coming year. **SNA will provide you with a link to this survey on November 7, 2022.**

Although USDA and SNA will be working together to coordinate and share results, each survey serves a distinct purpose, and we encourage all SFAs to take the time to complete both. Please take advantage of this opportunity to share your experiences from this school year and communicate the specific issues you are facing in your community.

If you have questions, please email CNsurveys@usda.gov or pmontague@schoolnutrition.org.

Thank you for your participation.

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