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SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM SPONSORS SOUGHT

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – Sponsors are being sought and training has been set for the 2013

[Summer Food Service Program](#) (SFSP).

The SFSP provides nutritious meals to children – without regard to race, color, national origin, age (within statutory limits), sex or disability – from May until September when schools are not in session. Meals and snacks are served to children in such places as churches, parks, playgrounds and schools.

Public or private non-profit schools; units of local, municipal, county or state governments; and public or private non-profit agencies may qualify as sponsors of the Summer Food Service Program. Residential summer camps whose enrollment includes needy children may also act as program sponsors.

Qualified sponsors are reimbursed for program operating and administrative expenses based on the number of eligible meals served. To be eligible, sponsors must:

- provide continuing service to the community
- serve meals on a regular schedule to children or provide meals as a part of an organized program for enrolled children at camps
- show they are financially and administratively capable of operating the program

Three training sessions for the 2013 SFSP are scheduled for new and private non-profit sponsors.

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Sessions for Traditional Sponsors
(school districts, private non-profit organizations and government agencies)

March 11 – Transportation Building, Frankfort

March 13 – Kentucky Educational Development Corporation (KEDC), Ashland

March 15 – Kentucky Dam Village Resort Park

Sessions for Camps and Colleges

March 20 – Transportation Building, Frankfort

Online Training Modules for Returning Sponsors

March 2013

Each session begins at 8:30 a.m. local time and will end no later than 4 p.m. local time.

Interested participants may pre-register for the live trainings by going to:

<https://cnips.education.ky.gov/cnips/>. Find Training Registration under “Links”.

In addition to the Traditional Summer Food Service Program, school districts currently participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) have the option to participate in the Seamless Summer Option (SSO). The Seamless Summer Option is an alternative to the traditional summer program that relieves many of the administrative burdens for experienced school districts. School districts interested in the Seamless Summer Option should contact Deanna Tackett at (502)564-5625, or Deanna.Tackett@education.ky.gov.

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