

## **IMPORTANT REMINDER: HCNP's Seamless Summer Option (SSO) Waiver Form**

(email sent to all Hawaii SFAs on October 14, 2020)

### **To All Participants of the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program:**

This email is an important reminder about HCNP's Seamless Summer Option (SSO) waiver form, and supersedes the email dated September 8, 2020 with the subject, "HCNP's Seamless Summer Option (SSO) Waiver Form".

The following nationwide waivers are available through June 30, 2021 for schools that would like to serve meals under the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) during through school year 2020-2021. Please refer to the website links provided below for more information on each waiver:

- Seamless Summer Option through December 2020
  - <https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/COVID19-59-ExtendingSFSPSSOFullSYEXTENSIONS.pdf>
- Area Eligibility Waiver in the Seamless Summer Option
  - <https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/COVID19-response60-AreaEligibilityNationwideWaiverEXTENSION3.pdf>
- Area Eligibility for Closed Enrolled Sites in the Seamless Summer Option
  - <https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/COVID19-64-SFSPClosedEnrolledNationwideWaiverEXTENSION2.pdf>
- Meal Service Time Restrictions in the Seamless Summer Option
  - <https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/COVID19-66-SFSPMealServiceTimeNationwideWaiverEXTENSION2.pdf>
- Non-Congregate Feeding in the Seamless Summer Option
  - <https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/COVID19-61-NonCongregateNationwideWaiverEXTENSION5.pdf>
- Meal Pattern Flexibility in the Seamless Summer Option
  - <https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/COVID19-63-MealPatternNationwideWaiver-EXTENSION8.pdf>
- Allowing Parents and Guardians to Pick Up Meals for Children in the Seamless Summer Option
  - <https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/COVID19-62-ParentPickupNationwideWaiverEXTENSION5.pdf>

Here is some information about SSO:

- Link to the Comparison of Programs SFSP/NSLP/SSO Chart: [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/SFSP\\_SeamlessComparisonChart.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/SFSP_SeamlessComparisonChart.pdf)
- Link to SP 09-2017: 2017 Edition of Questions and Answers for the National School Lunch Program's Seamless Summer Option: [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/SP09-2017os\\_reissue.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/resource-files/SP09-2017os_reissue.pdf)

If your SFA has any schools that would like to serve meals under SSO through June 30, 2021, a waiver to serve meals must be submitted and approved by HCNP. Please review the information shared in the above links to help you determine which waiver(s) your SFA needs to apply for. Then, complete the attached "SY 20-21 SSO Waiver Request Form" (and the attached Excel spreadsheet, if applicable to your SFA). Any waiver requests submitted using the previous version of the form (dated 9/8/20) will not be accepted. Submit the completed document(s) via email to [rachel.itano@k12.hi.us](mailto:rachel.itano@k12.hi.us),

and [kasey.kawamoto@k12.hi.us](mailto:kasey.kawamoto@k12.hi.us), and [shirley.robinson@k12.hi.us](mailto:shirley.robinson@k12.hi.us). **ONLY complete the Excel spreadsheet if your SFA has five or more schools/sites.**

If your SFA previously submitted a waiver request to serve meals under the SSO during SY 2020-2021, do not submit another waiver request. The NSLP team is in the process of reviewing waiver requests that were previously submitted.

NOTE: the attached waiver form is specific to serving meals under the Seamless Summer Option (SSO). This means that your SFA may be able to serve meals to any child in the community. If your SFA would like approval to use the nationwide waivers related to the National School Lunch Program (NSLP)/School Breakfast Program (SBP) to serve your school's enrolled students, please refer to the email, "*IMPORTANT REMINDER: SY 20-21 NSLP/SBP Meal Service Waiver Form*" that was sent to all SFAs on October 13, 2020. If your SFA would like approval to serve meals under the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), please email Daniel Sutcharitkul: [daniel.sutcharitkul@k12.hi.us](mailto:daniel.sutcharitkul@k12.hi.us).

The waiver request must be approved by HCNP before your SFA can implement the waiver(s) and claim meals for reimbursement. We will do our best to approve your waiver request in a timely manner.

If you have questions, please contact NSLP

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