



## SY 2021-2022 Nationwide Waivers

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## New for SY 2021-2022

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### How SY 2021-2022 Differs from Last Year

- ▶ Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) was NOT extended
- ▶ SFAs may operate Seamless Summer Option (SSO) or regular school meal programs
- ▶ ALL SFAs may operate SSO
- ▶ SSO meals will be reimbursed at the highest SFSP rate
- ▶ SFAs may operate SSO for the entirety of SY 21-22

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### For SY 21-22 SFAs Must Choose:

▶ Participate in:

<p><b>NSLP/SBP</b> National School Lunch Program School Breakfast Program</p>	OR	<p><b>SSO</b> Seamless Summer Option</p>
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### SSO Waiver

- ▶ Meals are FREE for all children
  - ▶ Children: age 18 and under, and those over age 18 who meet the State's definition of mentally or physically disabled
- ▶ Meals are reimbursed at the free rate



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### SY 21-22 SSO Sites

- Open**
  - Serve students enrolled at the school and children in the community for free, age 18 and under, including children who may not be enrolled at the school
- Restricted Open**
  - Sites that meet the Open Site criteria, but attendance is limited for reasons of security, safety, or control
- Closed Enrolled**
  - Serve only enrolled students at the school (cannot serve meals to siblings that are enrolled at other schools)

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### SSO Reimbursement



- Normal Operations**
  - Meals reimbursed at the appropriate NSLP/SBP free rates
- SY 2021-2022**
  - Meals reimbursed at SFSP rates for rural or self-prep sites, regardless of location (SFSP Reimbursement Rates Waiver)

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### Reimbursement Rates

SFSP Rural/Self-Prep Rates for SSO Meals		SY 20-21 NSLP/SBP/ASP Rates**			
	2021*		Free	Reduced	Paid
Breakfast	\$2.8800	Breakfast	\$2.21	\$1.91	\$0.37
Lunch/Supper	\$5.0475	Lunch	\$4.18	\$3.78	\$0.46
Snack	\$1.1900	Afterschool Snack	\$1.13	\$0.56	\$0.10

\*SFSP Rates shown are effective until December 31, 2021. New rates will be released and will be effective beginning January 1, 2022.

\*\*SY 21-22 Rates have not been released by USDA. Rates listed are for Regular Breakfast and Regular Lunch (with the 7 cents performance-based reimbursement).

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**Hawaii Child Nutrition Programs**


## SSO: Qualifying Sites

**Normal Operations**

- ▶ Open SSO sites must be located in an area where at least 50% of children are certified for free or reduced price meals

**SY 2021-2022**

- ▶ SFAs participating in SSO may operate SSO without regard to area eligibility requirements




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## Meal Patterns

**Normal Operations**

- ▶ SSO follows NSLP and SBP meal pattern requirements

**SY 2021-2022**

- ▶ Follow NSLP and SBP requirements
- ▶ Meal pattern flexibility may be approved for select requirements:
  - ▶ Sodium
  - ▶ Whole grain-rich
  - ▶ Vegetable subgroups
  - ▶ Milk variety
  - ▶ Low-fat milk must be unflavored
  - ▶ Age/grade groups




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## SSO: Afterschool Snack

**Normal Operations**

- ▶ Under SSO, two meals or one meal and one snack may be provided

**SY 2021-2022**

- ▶ When school is in session, SFAs may operate SSO and simultaneously participate in NSLP ASP




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## SSO: Weekend Meals

**Normal Operations**

- ▶ SSO meals may be served on the weekend with State approval

**SY 2021-2022**

- ▶ SSO meals are NOT allowed on the weekend when school is in session during SY 2021-2022

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## SSO: Monitoring

- ▶ SFAs must review each SSO site for compliance
- ▶ For SY 21-22, complete the onsite monitoring prior to February 1 of each meal service
  - ▶ Complete the MC-7 form for each point of service




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## SSO vs NSLP/SBP

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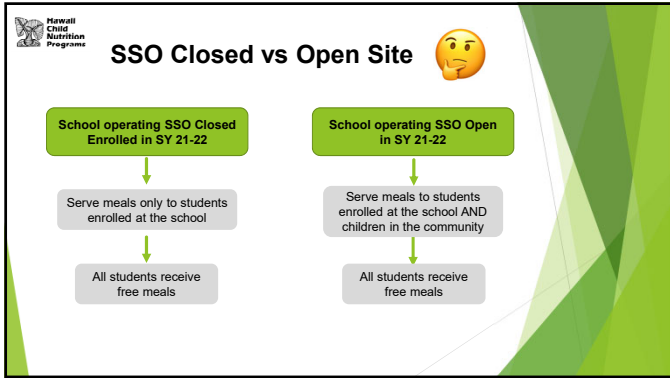
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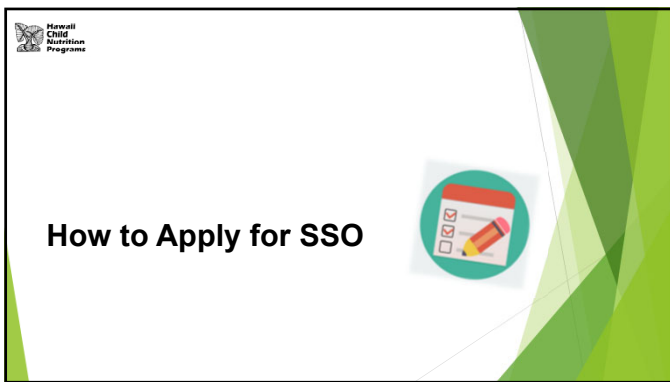
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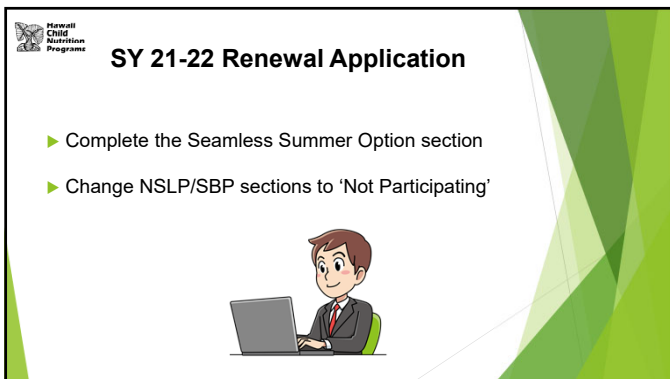
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 **SY 21-22 Renewal Application**

- ▶ If your SFA would like to participate in the following three meal services:
  - ▶ SSO: Breakfast and Lunch
  - ▶ NSLP ASP
- ▶ You will get an error message on the site application
- ▶ Email the NSLP Team to clear the error message

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 **SSO Public Notification**

- ▶ For SY 2021-2022:
  - ▶ SFAs must provide public notification regarding the availability of meals
  - ▶ SFAs participating in SSO are to notify households that all meals will be offered free through SSO



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 **Nationwide Waivers**

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## Meal Service Waivers

Normal Operations	SY 2021-2022*
<b>Congregate Feeding</b> Meals must be served in a congregate setting	SFAs participating under COVID-19 waivers may serve meals in a non-congregate setting
<b>Meal Times</b> Meals and snacks must follow meal time requirements	SFAs participating under COVID-19 waivers may serve meals that do not follow the meal times requirements
<b>Parent/Guardian Pick Up</b> Meals must be served directly to the child; parent/guardian pick up is not allowed	SFAs participating under COVID-19 waivers may allow parents/guardians to pick up meals to take home to their children

\*These three SY 21-22 waivers are to be used only for the duration and extent they are needed.

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## Offer vs Serve Waiver for Senior High Schools

Normal Operations	SY 2021-2022
OVS is required for senior high schools at lunch	SFAs participating under COVID-19 waivers may serve school lunches to senior high school students not using offer versus serve

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## Area Eligibility ASP Waiver

Normal Operations	SY 2021-2022
Afterschool care program site must be located at a school or in the attendance area of a school where at least 50% of the enrolled children are eligible for free/reduced price meals	SFAs participating under COVID-19 waivers may claim all afterschool snacks at the free rate, regardless of location

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## Onsite Monitoring Requirements Waiver

- ▶ Allows off-site monitoring (desk audits)
- ▶ Effective until 30 days after the end of the Federal public health emergency




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**Hawaii Child Nutrition Programs**

## Onsite Monitoring - Classrooms

- ▶ Review at least 25% of the total number of classrooms where meals are served
- ▶ Example:
  - Meals served in 5 classrooms during lunch
  - $5 \text{ classrooms} \times 25\% = 1.25$
  - (round up to the next whole number = 2)**
  - Must review 2 of the 5 classrooms during lunch




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