

# The Summer Food Service Program

## in New York State

### What is SFSP?

The [SFSP](#) makes sure kids in lower-income areas have access to free, nutritious meals when school is out. It is funded by the USDA and administered by the New York State Education Department (SED).

### Who can be a SFSP Sponsor?

If you are part of a:

- Public or private nonprofit school
- College or university
- Nonprofit residential summer camp
- Government agency
- Other tax-exempt nonprofit organization

**You can make a big difference by becoming an SFSP sponsor!**

### What Does it Take to be a Sponsor?

Sponsors must:

- Be [financially viable, capable, and accountable](#) for Program operations
- Prepare [meals](#) or work with a vendor to provide them
- Oversee operations and monitor sites according to federal regulations
- Have a Federal Identification Number (FEIN) and active UEI through [SAM.gov](#)

### Sponsor's Responsibilities

As a sponsor, you'll:

- [Find](#) and operate sites in eligible areas
- Serve [meals](#) to kids 18 and under
- Provide supervision during meal services with trained staff
- Keep accurate records and submit reports
- Monitor sites and adhere to State and local health and sanitation standards
- Comply with [Civil Rights](#)
- Attend and complete required SED trainings

### Ready to Apply?

The application period for new sponsors runs February 1 – May 1.

Potential New Sponsors: Submit the

**[New Sponsor Application Request Form](#)**

Questions?



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