USDA Child Nutrition Programs

Commendations, Corrective Actions & Technical Assistance

School Food Authority: Woodlands Sch-State St Campus Agency Code: 408132
School(s) Reviewed: 100-Woodlands East School Review Date(s): 4/4/19

Review Team: TCB Reviewers Date of Exit Conference: 4/4/19

Corrective Actions Due Date: NA

State agencies (SA) are required to conduct administrative reviews to assess School Food Authority (SFA)'s administration of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), and other school nutrition programs. The objectives of the Administrative Reviews are to:

- Determine whether the SFA meets program regulations,
- Provide technical assistance,
- Secure needed corrective action,
- Assess fiscal action, and when applicable, recover improperly paid funds.

General Program Reminders/Updates:

- The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) School Nutrition Team (SNT) conducts School Nutrition Skills Development Courses (SNSDC) each summer in various locations around the state. Courses cover many areas of the school nutrition programs including administrative responsibilities, program basics, meal pattern requirements and menu planning, financial management, meal benefit determination process, professional standards, procurement, and many other topics. More information along with other upcoming trainings and webinars can be found on the Wisconsin DPI School Nutrition Training webpage (dpi.wi.gov/school-nutrition/training).
- SFA staff are encouraged to pursue GOALS Certification. GOALS stands for Goal Oriented Achievement Learning Skills. This is a certificate endorsed by the DPI and is obtained by completing training in nutrition, program administration and operations, or communications and marketing. For more information go to the Wisconsin DPI <u>School Nutrition Training</u> webpage (dpi.wi.gov/school-nutrition/training/goal-oriented-achievement-learning-skills).
- The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) has a toolkit of resources to assist schools in meeting
 the nutrition standards on their <u>Healthier School Day: The School Day Just Got Healthier</u> webpage.
 The topics covered include Smart Snacks, offering fruits and vegetables, reducing sodium, and
 serving whole grain-rich products (http://www.fns.USDA.gov/healthierschoolday).
- The Smarter Lunchrooms Movement encourages schools to implement low-cost and no-cost lunchroom solutions to help students select healthier meal options
 (http://smarterlunchrooms.org). Smarter Lunchroom techniques are easy to begin implementing and help encourage student consumption of fruits, vegetables, legumes, non-flavored milk, and other healthful choices. These strategies are effective and research-based. Consider trying the Smarter Lunchroom techniques for increasing consumption of white milk.

Appreciation/Commendations/Noteworthy Initiatives:

Thank you to the staff at Woodlands Sch-State St Campus for the courtesies extended to us during the onsite review and for being available to answer questions and provide additional information. All were very receptive to recommendations and guidance. In addition, thank you for taking the time to respond to the off-site questions and requests, as well as pulling records for the on-site portion of the review.

The TCB review team appreciates the eagerness of the staff at Woodlands Sch-State St Campus for their willingness to make changes to meet school nutrition program regulations. The staff is concerned for the nutritional well-being of their students as evidenced through food safety, menu, service, local wellness, and overall responsiveness to recommendations made while on site. We were impressed at the overall cleanliness of the kitchen and the courteousness of staff toward students.

The TCB review team is confident that Woodlands Sch-State St Campus will continue to improve their knowledge and operation of child nutrition programs.

Commendations

Commendation #1: Woodlands School State Street Campus had documentation for the review available when the team arrived onsite. The documentation was organized which made it easy to identify the requested documents.

Commendation #2: There were no findings identified in the offsite or onsite portions of the Administrative Review.

Required Corrective Actions

Tentative:

There are no findings or corrective actions as a result of the Administrative Review of Woodlands East's participation in the National School Lunch Program.

Thank you for your dedication and service to the children in your school as well as the community.

Recommended Technical Assistance

Please review the following Technical Assistance; a response is not required. Internally, identify procedures and/or documents needed to work toward continuous improvement of the program. Please note, numbers below may not correspond directly to numbered findings above.

Technical Assistance #1:

The SFA was advised to update the Wellness Policy to reflect the position of the assigned staff to oversee the Local Wellness Policy.

The State Superintendent of Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction shares a vision that every student will graduate prepared for college and career. Her goals are for students to have the knowledge, skills, and habits that will allow them to succeed in life after high school. Access to quality nutrition plays a major role in developing those life-long habits.

The School Nutrition Team believes that what school nutrition programs do every day plays a very important part in the success of every child being able to graduate. We all know that well-nourished children are ready to learn. Thank you for all you do to ensure student success.

For more information on this initiative, please visit the Wisconsin DPI Every Child a Graduate webpage (dpi.wi.gov/statesupt/agenda-2017).



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