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February 5, 2024

Lynsey Johnston
Superintendent
Bristol Public Schools
767 Main Street, Suite 2
Damariscotta, ME 04543

Dear Superintendent Johnston:

The Bristol Public Schools Nutrition Program was reviewed per Federal Regulation 7CFR 210.18 and Maine Department of Education Child Nutrition policies and procedures. On December 14, 2023 Stephanie Stambach reviewed Bristol Consolidated School. An exit conference with you and Michelle Miller occurred on December 14, 2023.

The enclosed Official Notification of Review Findings and Corrective Action describes the corrective action documentation required. Please submit a detailed response for each of the review findings listed in the report by the deadline(s) listed. Responses must be submitted through CNPweb, Maine Department of Education Child Nutrition's Administrative Review software, and must address the following:

- How the finding was corrected (include who, when & how)
- Documentation that the finding has been corrected district-wide
- How this action will ensure future compliance

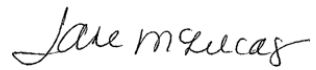
In accordance with §210.18(k), failure to return completed documentation within 30 days from the corrective action deadline date will result in the withholding of reimbursement payments. We hope that following the exit conference you and your staff addressed the corrective actions and that you will have no problems in meeting the response deadline.

The Official Notification also provides the potential fiscal action, which is an initial estimate of the amount of reimbursement that will be reclaimed. These are only estimates which must be adjusted to the actual date of corrective action for each violation. If documentation of corrective action or acceptable corrective action is not received by the response date stated above, the claim will be recalculated to the end of the school year.

Local Education Agencies have the right to appeal findings which impact their reimbursement. For more information visit <https://www.maine.gov/doe/sites/maine.gov.doefiles/inline-files/Child%20Nutrition%20Appeals%20Process.pdf>

We hope that this review has been helpful to you and your staff. If you should have any questions, or if we can assist in any way, please feel free to contact Stephanie Stambach at 215-9437 or email stephanie.stambach@maine.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane McLucas".

Jane McLucas
Child Nutrition Director

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SNP Administrative Review Findings

Bristol Public Schools (88)

Program Year 2024

Bristol Public Schools (88)

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No. of Sites / Reviewed: 1 / 1
Month of Review: November 2023
Date of on-site review: December 14, 2023

Commendations

- * Thank you to Michelle Miller and Layne Kaler for assisting with the Bristol Public Schools administrative review. Overall, the program is operating well. Layne makes a great variety of scratch made items including blueberry muffins and other hot items for breakfast that the students enjoy.

Technical Assistance

- * The full non-discrimination statement is required on the School Nutrition website. It was found that the federal statement was listed but was missing the Maine statement. This was corrected prior to the on-site review and no further action is needed.
* Past practice was to allow adults to charge up to \$10.00 for meals. This is no longer happening and has been addressed by the Food Service Director. No further action is needed.
* Food temperatures are being taken, but not recorded. These can be written on the production record or a separate temperature log. They are the school's documentation that food was cooked and held at a safe temperature.
* A student with a documented dairy allergy was provided almond milk which is not an approved milk substitute. It was found that the medical statement was missing information, including the foods to omit and foods to substitute so the kitchen staff know how to accommodate. The medical statement template on the Child Nutrition website should be provided to the physician and completely thoroughly. A team approach should be used, involving the school nurse, food service staff, parents, etc. to make sure everyone is on the same page and to ensure safe meal service for the child.

General Program Compliance - Bristol Public Schools (88)

1007. On-site observation validate Off-Site Assessment Tool responses to Local School Wellness Policy questions?

Finding 9000: The AOS 93 wellness policy does not meet federal requirements

It was found that the wellness policy posted on the AOS 93 website is not in compliance. This was part of the corrective action for the previous review in 2019; however, it appears that the updated language was not implemented. Compliant wellness policy language was emailed to Michelle Miller that can be used.

Corrective Action:

Adopt compliant wellness policy and post on the AOS 93 website. Upload the updated, school board approved policy to CNPWeb- E Reviews- Corrective Action Responses.

Corrective Action Deadline: March 4, 2024

1007. On-site observation validate Off-Site Assessment Tool responses to Local School Wellness Policy questions?

Finding 9000: Triennial assessment of local wellness policy not completed.

The wellness policy must be assessed every three years and is a federal requirement. A sample assessment tool can be found on the Child Nutrition website: https://www.maine.gov/doe/schools/nutrition/programs/nslp.

Corrective Action:

Complete assessment and upload results to CNP web- E Reviews- Corrective Action Responses.

Corrective Action Deadline: April 5, 2024



Technical Assistance:

Technical assistance on the triennial assessment was provided on-site.

Bristol Consolidated School (89)

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Month of Review: November 2023

Meal Components & Quantities - Bristol Consolidated School (89)

409. Review period production records/documentation - required meal components offered, daily/weekly requirements met?
Enter data.

Finding 9000: Meal pattern errors found with lunch

One week of menus and production records were reviewed in November 2023. The following lunch meal pattern errors were found:

1. The amount of vegetable offered to students was not documented correctly on the production records. Only 1/2 cup was listed when additional vegetables are offered to meet the 3/4 cup requirement.
2. Missing red/orange vegetable subgroup was found. A red/orange vegetable was planned; however, was substituted incorrectly.
3. The pizza crust was not whole grain rich. Due to this the weekly whole grain rich offering of 80% was not met.

Corrective Action:

A review of production records in December 2023 confirmed that vegetable portion sizes are being recorded correctly and meet the 3/4 cup daily offering, and that a red/orange vegetable was offered each week in December. A whole grain rich pizza crust is being switched over to.

All of the above issues have been corrected and no further action is needed.

Technical Assistance:

Technical assistance was provided on-site that vegetable subgroups must be substituted like for like. For example, with red/orange vegetables, carrots and butternut squash can be substituted for sweet potato fries. The vegetable subgroup chart is a great reference tool. It is also helpful to have a backup in case substitutions are made by the distributor.

Sincerely,

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