

SSO is intended to be operating as a transition back to a traditional school meals program - its intent is to serve children enrolled in the school. SSO and USDA waivers allow open sites and flexibility to address safety needs during the pandemic. They should be used for that purpose. SFAs (School Food Authorities) must operate the SSO (Seamless Summer Option) at *school* sites only whenever possible. SFA may choose to operate a Site at an alternate non-school location if the intent is to prioritize the health and safety of their students.

An example of this is if your school has to transition to remote learning due to an increased risk of Covid-19 transmission and an additional meal pick up site is needed.

To serve non-enrolled children in your communities, schools may operate as an Open Site allowing children or parents of children who are not enrolled or have chosen to follow a remote learning model to pick up meals at the school location.

Site Classification	Site Definition/Eligibility Requirements
Closed Enrolled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers meals to children enrolled at the site, not open to the community. • Reimbursed for complete meals served to the identified group of children. • Even if schools are remote learning, the intent is to only serve students enrolled in the school
Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers meals to all children in the area on a first-come, first-serve basis. • Information regarding the meal service must be publicized in the community served. • Sponsors are reimbursed for complete meals served to all children.
Restricted Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same definition/eligibility requirements as an Open Site. • When publicizing meal service information, sponsors must make known that the site is open to all children, but meal service will be limited due to one of the reasons below. • <i>Restricted</i> means that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is initially open to all, but meal service is limited for reasons of space, security, safety, or control. • Meal service may not be limited to a particular group of children.