

# **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## **STAFF NOTE**

### **Review Item:**

Summer Food Service Program Update

### **Rationale:**

To provide the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) with information about the Summer Food Service Program administered by the Division of School and Community Nutrition.

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

KRS 156.010(5) and 7 CFR 225

### **History/Background:**

***Existing Policy:*** The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a United States Department of Agriculture child nutrition program administered by the Kentucky Department of Education, Division of School and Community Nutrition. The primary purpose of the program is to provide food service to children from needy areas during periods when schools are closed for vacation.

***Summary:*** The SFSP provides meals to all children up to 18 years old when school is not in session. This summer more than 150 sponsoring organizations consisting primarily of school districts, but also, including private non-profit organizations, colleges, camps and local governments, will administer SFSP at the local level. There are more than 2,000 SFSP sites in the Commonwealth of Kentucky that provide over 3,000 meal opportunities for children.

***Budget Impact:*** There is no significant KDE budget impact. SFSP is fully funded by the United States Department of Agriculture. In 2015, \$6,736,365.71 in meal reimbursement was paid to SFSP sponsors.

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