Kentucky-Grown Vegetable Incentive Program Summer 2018 Enrollment Application

The Kentucky-Grown Vegetable Incentive Program (K-VIP) is a reimbursement program that encourages Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) sponsors to purchase Kentucky-grown produce directly from Kentucky farms. This reimbursement gives SFSP sponsors \$1 for every \$3 spent on fruits and vegetables grown in Kentucky.

K-VIP funds are exclusively for Kentucky SFSP sponsors. If you have not participated as a SFSP sponsor, please contact the Kentucky Department of Education, Division of School and Community Nutrition at (502) 564-5625 and ask to speak to an SFSP consultant about the program.

Please send completed applications to Kate McDonald, kate@kafb.org by April 15. Due to the limited availability of funds, K-VIP reimbursement is not guaranteed.

SPONSOR CONTACT INFORMATION

How long has your organization

participated in SFSP?

ORGANIZATION: Marion County Schools STREET ADDRESS: 755 East Main CITY: Lebanon COUNTY: Marion ZIP CODE: 40033 Jennifer Wheek STAFF CONTACT: PHONE: 270-692-3721 **EMAIL ADDRESS:** jennifer.wheeler@marion.kyschools.us Is your organization a member of the Yes Kentucky Kids Eat Committee? O No No, but we have interest. SFSP PROGRAM OVERVIEW Which childhood nutrition programs ✓ SFSP does your organization currently run? CACFP Please check all that apply for the School Breakfast 2017-2018 year. School Lunch ☐ Backpack Program ☐ Other

3 - 6 years

Number of summer meals served in 2017:	16,000
Number of SFSP sites in summer 2017:	40
What counties did you serve during Summer 2017?	Marion and Taylor
Where are your SFSP meals produced?	School kitchen
What type of meals did your organization typically serve during the summer of 2017?	 hot meals - family style ✓ hot meals - individually packaged ✓ bagged cold meals □ shelf stable meals □ Other
Number of Meals Projected for Summer 2018	Number of 50 Sites Projected for Summer 2018
Do you plan to expand your SFSP program to other counties in 2018?	No Yes

How do you plan to increase the number of summer meals served in 2018?

We are planning a summer kick off event as well as reaching out to local churches and the farmers market to offer feeding. Last summer our public library fed part of the summer but not all due to moving, I anticipate them feeding all summer and am going to ask that they also feed off of the book mobile.

PRODUCE PROGUREMENT GAPACITY INFORMATION

Does your organization currently partner with Kentucky farmers to procure local produce for feeding programs?

No

O Yes

Funds spent on Kentucky produce for SFSP in 2017:

N/A

Anticipated funds to spend on Kentucky produce for SFSP 2018.

\$6,000.00

What are your organization's barriers to including Kentucky-grown produce in your summer meals?

N/A

Please name farms that could be potential partners for your organization. What is your outreach plan if awarded K-VIP funding?

I have already began the outreach process by working with our Ag and FCS extension agents to host a meeting with local farmers. There were 5 local farmers in attendance and we have began conversations about ordering.

Essex Farm, Waver Farm, D. Peterson Farm, Jessie

PROGRAM NEED

How would the K-VIP program benefit your SFSP program in 2018?

As district we were already going to work toward more fresh local produce, K-VIP will help with funding to do so. Local could potentially be a little more expensive then larger vendors.

Why is your organization interested in receiving K-VIP funding? Please rank the following statements from 1 - 5, 1 being the most important and 5 being the least important.

	1	2	3	4	5
We would like to expand our SFSP program to more sites in our region.	0	0	0	•	0
Increasing the nutritional quality of meals provided to children is a priority.	0	•	0	0	0
We would like to increase the number of meals served at current sites.	0	0	•	0	0
Creating partnerships with local farmers in Kentucky would add benefit to our program.	•	0	0	0	0
We need added funding to support our SFSP program in 2018.	0	0	0	0	•

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	for 2018 SFS	SP pro	gram:	

\$2000.00

K-VIP reimbursement is for 1/3 of actual expense on Kentucky produce used during SFSP 2018. If the request for funding exceeds the amount available, funds may be capped using the following formula - \$0.10 x Total Number of Summer Meals Served.

I understand that submitting this application does not confirm that my organization will receive K-VIP reimbursement funds in 2018. Applications will be read by Kentucky Association of Food Banks staff, Kentucky Department of Agriculture staff, and Kentucky Department of Education staff to ensure equitable distribution of funds during this pilot program.

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