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To: School Food Authorities

Subject: SFS-14-126 HealthierUS School Challenge: Smarter Lunchrooms 2014
Criteria NOW Available

The Healthier US School Challenge: Smarter Lunchrooms (HUSSC: SL) 2014 Criteria is NOW Available. The HUSSC: SL 2014 Criteria is effective August 31, 2014. HUSSC: SL applications submitted on or after August 31, 2014, will be reviewed using the new criteria. The criteria has been updated to recognize schools actively implementing Smarter Lunchroom techniques and USDA's Nutrition Standards for All Foods Sold in Schools (commonly known as Smart Snacks in School). The HUSSC: SL 2014 Criteria Chart is available on the Team Nutrition Website.

Please keep in mind that FNS has extended the deadline for the HealthierUS School Challenge applications under the current criteria until **August 30, 2014**. Complete HUSSC applications that will be considered under the old criteria must be postmarked, emailed, entered electronically, or hand delivered to the State Agency on or before Saturday, August 30th.

Helpful Links

- Team Nutrition home page - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/team-nutrition>
- HUSSC: SL home page: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/hussc/healthierus-school-challenge>
- Application materials - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/hussc/healthierus-school-challenge-application-materials>
- Application Criteria and Guidance - <http://www.fns.usda.gov/hussc/application-criteria-and-guidance>

Refer to the CNP website for further information. The web address is <http://cnp.doe.louisiana.gov>. You must have above acrobat to open pdf files. Adobe may be downloaded FREE from the following web address: <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2/html>