

**From:** [Toya Porter](#)  
**To:** [Toya Porter](#)  
**Subject:** New Meal Quality Handout for Summer Meal Program Operators  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 10, 2016 3:19:27 PM

---

From: CNDPartnerWeb@fns.usda.gov [<mailto:CNDPartnerWeb@fns.usda.gov>]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 1:24 PM  
To: Toya Porter  
Subject: New Meal Quality Handout for Summer Meal Program Operators

New Meal Quality Handout for Summer Meal Program Operators

Description:

As the summer approaches, make sure you have all the right information to serve healthy meals and encourage participation in summer meal programs. The Food and Nutrition Service has recently released a 4-page handout for summer meal site operators that gives practical ideas for small changes that sites can implement to improve the nutritional quality of meals they serve, and ways to make foods more appealing to children and teens. The handout is now available in both English and Spanish, and includes tips, resources, a taste-testing ballot, and sample menus!

The Offering Healthy Summer Meals that Kids Enjoy handout provides tips and tools to improve the quality of meals being served and ensures kids enjoy all that Summer Meal Programs have to offer. Start using the delicious sample menus and the “taste test ballot” now, to decide which fruits, vegetables, and recipes you should include in your summer menu more often. Find additional ideas about how to engage volunteers and staff and how to incorporate local foods in this colorful handout, and put your new inspiration into action with the interactive goal-setting section. The handout has information to help every type of site (big, small, or vended) make their summer meal program fun and healthy!

This handout will be available along with other Team Nutrition summer resources at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/offering-healthy-summer-meals>.

Free printed copies of this handout, and other summer resources, are expected to be available for summer meal sites participating in the USDA Child Nutrition programs this summer through the Team Nutrition Web site: <http://teamnutrition.usda.gov><<http://teamnutrition.usda.gov/>>.

If you have questions please contact Team Nutrition at TeamNutrition@fns.usda.gov<<mailto:TeamNutrition@fns.usda.gov>>.

This electronic message contains information generated by the USDA solely for the intended recipients. Any unauthorized interception of this message or the use or disclosure of the information it contains may violate the law and subject the violator to civil or criminal penalties. If you believe you have received this message in error, please notify the sender and delete the email immediately.