

2021-22 School Year COVID-19 Meal Pattern Flexibility Form

[Nationwide Meal Pattern Waiver](#): FNS has provided nationwide approval for states to locally waive specific meal pattern requirements, as needed, to support access to nutritious meals while operating Seamless Summer Option (SSO) when certain foods are not available due to the novel coronavirus. The waiver of the meal pattern requirements in §210.10 (b)(c) and §220.8(b)(c) will allow flexibility valid through **June 30, 2022**. You will receive an approval email once approved by the state agency.

The request(s) made by:

I, _____, am requesting a waiver for the following meal pattern flexibilities during the 2021-22 school year due to COVID-19.

Waiver request for:

Check each box that applies.

- Dietary specifications for sodium:** 7 CFR 210.10(b),(c), and (f); 220.8(b),(c), and (f)
- All grains offered be whole grain-rich:** 7 CFR 210.10(c); 220.8(c)
- To offer a variety of vegetables from the vegetable subgroups** (Note: All portion sizes must meet requirements): 7 CFR 210.10(c); 220.8(c)
- To offer a variety of fluid milk** (with the waiver you would not have to offer at least two different fluid milk options): 7 CFR 210.10(c); 220.8(c)
- Low-fat milk must be unflavored:** 7 CFR 210.10(c), and (d)(l)(i); 220.8(c), and (d)
- To plan menus and offer food components for specified age/grade groups in the stated combinations:** 7 CFR 210.10(c); 220.8(c)
- For preschoolers, at least one serving per day, across all eating occasions, must be whole grain-rich:** 7 CFR 210.10(o)(3), and (p); 220.8(o);
- For preschoolers, low fat milk (1%) must be unflavored:** 7 CFR 226.20(a)(1)(iii) and 226.20(c)

Description of how the meal pattern flexibilities improve services to program participants:

Signature of SFA requesting: _____ ***District:*** _____ ***Date:*** _____

Electronic Signature of State Director- Indication of Approval: