# Attachment B

# Superintendent's Memo #023-23

February 10, 2023

## **Virginia Department of Education**

## **Fiscal Year 2023 Certification Statement**

## **School Breakfast Program State Funding Incentive**

Division Name: Click or tap to enter division name

Division Number: Click or tap to enter division number

The state funded incentive program to maximize federal school nutrition revenues and to increase student participation in the School Breakfast Program (SBP) or the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) breakfast program is available to any school division, as a reimbursement, for breakfast meals served that are in excess of the baseline established by the Virginia Department of Education. The per meal reimbursement is $0.22 in fiscal year (FY) 2023 based on the number of meals served per student in school year 2021-2022 that were in excess of each school division’s 2003-2004 baseline.

In order to receive these funds, school divisions must certify that the funds will be used to supplement existing school nutrition funds and, if any, funds provided by the local governing body, and that local funds derived from sources that are not generated by the school nutrition programs have not been reduced or eliminated. These state incentive funds shall be used to improve student participation in the SBP or SSO breakfast. These efforts may include, but are not limited to, reducing competitive food sales in order to improve the quality of nutritional offerings in schools, increasing access to the SBP, or providing programs to increase parent and student knowledge of good nutritional practices. These funds may not be used to reduce local funds below the level appropriated to school nutrition programs in the prior year, if any. Further, these funds must be credited to the school nutrition programs and may not be used for any other school purposes.

### **CERTIFICATION for FY 2023**

I hereby certify that state incentive funds, received for the SBP or SSO breakfast program, will be credited to the school nutrition program account and will not be used for any other school purposes. I further certify that these funds will be used solely for the school nutrition programs and will not be used to supplant existing funds provided by the local governing body, if any, and that local funds derived from sources that are not generated by the school nutrition programs will not be reduced or eliminated.

Signed Certification Forms must be returned to SNPPolicy@doe.virginia.gov no later than **February 28, 2023.**

Division Superintendent's Name

Division Superintendent’s Signature

Date

Division School Nutrition Program Administrator Name

Division School Nutrition Program Administrator Signature

Date