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**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA   
Department of Education**

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TO: Directors, Supervisors, and Contact Persons Addressed

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## SUBJECT: USDA Memorandum on Rural Non-Congregate Meal Service

The purpose of this memorandum is to distribute a recent U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (USDA-FNS) policy memorandum on rural non-congregate meal service. [SFSP 08-2024, SP 15-2024 Non-Congregate Meal Service in Rural Areas: Questions and Answers #2](https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/SFSP08-2024os.pdf) was published on March 27, 2024, and provides guidance on rural non-congregate meal service for summer 2024.

The Virginia Department of Education, Office of School and Community Nutrition Programs (VDOE-SCNP) incorporated this guidance in fiscal year 2023-2024 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) training and in the rural non-congregate workbook, which sponsors operating a rural non-congregate meal service in summer 2024 are required to complete.

### Action Required

* Review [SFSP 08-2024, SP 15-2024 Non-Congregate Meal Service in Rural Areas: Questions and Answers #2](https://fns-prod.azureedge.us/sites/default/files/resource-files/SFSP08-2024os.pdf)
* Refer to the recording of [FY 23-24 SFSP Programmatic and Meal Pattern Training](https://doe-virginia-gov.zoom.us/rec/share/CdoZq7BFiAtZGkZ0NVA70LGWeSUbxzwDs0j6s7AV4O2LO1q5PXniMS02m7fUt7cV.RHC4mKX7lXWU59Z6)

### For More Information

For more information, please contact your assigned School Nutrition Programs regional specialist for school food authorities or Community Nutrition Programs regional specialist for community organizations.

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