Blount County Board of Education

STATE AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW SUMMARY

Section 207 of the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act (HHFKA) amended section 22 of the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) (42 U.S.C. 1769c) to require State agencies (SA) to report the final results of the administrative review to the public in an accessible, easily understood manner in accordance with guidelines promulgated by the Secretary. Regulations at 7 CFR 210.18(m) requires the State agency to post a summary of the most recent final administrative review results for each School Food Authority (SFA) on the State agency's publicly available website no later than 30 days after the SA provides the final results of the administrative review to the SFA. The SA must also make a copy of the final administrative review report available to the public upon request.

School Food Authority Name:	Blount County Schools
Date of Administrative Review (Entrance Conference Date):	October 31, 2024
Date review results were provided to the School Food Authority:	December 2, 2024
Date review summary was publicly posted:	January 2, 2025

The review summary must cover access and reimbursement (including eligibility and certification review results), the SFA's compliance with the meal patterns and the nutritional quality of school meals, the results of the review of the school nutrition environment (including food safety, local school wellness policy, and competitive foods), compliance related to civil rights, and general program participation. At a minimum, this would include the written notification of review findings provided to the SFA's superintendent or equivalent as required at 7 CFR 210.18(i)(3).

General Program Participation

What Child Nutrition Programs does the SFA participate in? (Select all that apply)

Х	School Breakfast Program
Х	National School Lunch Program
	Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program
	Afterschool Snack
	Special Milk Program
	Seamless Summer Option

Does the School Food Authority operate under any Special Provisions? (Select all that apply)

Х	Community Eligibility Provision
	Special Provision 1
	Special Provision 2
	Special Provision 3

Review Findings

Were any findings identified during the review of this School Food Authority?

YES	NO
Х	

Please complete the following charts to indicate findings and details.

YES	NO	REVIEW FINDINGS
	Х	A. Program Access and Reimbursement
YES	NO	AREAS
	Х	Certification and Benefit Issuance
	Х	Verification
	Х	Meal Counting and Claiming

Finding(s) Details:

YES	NO	REVIEW FINDINGS
	Х	B. Meal Patterns and Nutritional Quality
YES	NO	AREAS
	Х	Meal Components and Quantities
Х		Offer versus Serve
	Х	Dietary Specifications and Nutrient Analysis

Finding(s) Details:

1. The SFA failed to comply with 7 CFR 220.8 (e) which states that school breakfast must offer daily at least the three meal components required in the meal pattern. To exercise the offer versus serve option at breakfast, a school food authority or school must offer a minimum of four food items daily as part of the required components. Under offer versus serve, students are allowed to decline one of the four food items, provided that students select at least 1/2 cup of the fruit component for a reimbursable meal.

YES	NO	REVIEW FINDINGS
X		C. School Nutrition Environment
YES	NO	AREAS
X		Food Safety
X		Local School Wellness Policy
Х		Competitive Foods
Х		Other: Reporting and Recordkeeping

Finding(s) Details:

- The SFA failed to comply with 7 CFR 210.13(c) which requires the SFA to develop a written food safety program that covers any facility or part of a facility where food is stored, prepared, or served. The food safety program must meet the requirements in paragraph (c)(1) or paragraph (c)(2) of this section, and the requirements in § 210.15(b)(5).
- 2. The SFA failed to comply with 7 CFR 210.31 which lists the requirements regarding the establishment, required changes, periodic review, and update of local school wellness policies and includes public involvement and public notification, implementation assessments and updates, and recordkeeping requirements regarding the local school wellness policy.
- 3. The SFA failed to comply with 7 CFR 210.11(b)(4) which states that exempted fundraisers must not take place more than the frequency specified by the State agency during such periods that schools are in session.
- 4. The SFA failed to properly implement offer versus serve (OVS), which is a provision in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) that allows students to decline some of the food offered. The goals of OVS are to reduce food waste in the school meals programs while permitting students to decline foods they do not intend to eat.

YES	NO	REVIEW FINDINGS
	Х	D. Civil Rights