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SUBJECT: USDA Team Nutrition Materials
TO: State Child Nutrition Directors

Team Nutrition wants to ensure that all school districts, schools, and child care centers participating in the Federal Child Nutrition Programs have copies of all the Team Nutrition technical assistance and support materials available to them. A review of the inventory of Team Nutrition materials indicates that many do not have copies of several items. These include *Fruits and Vegetables Galore*, the *Food Buying Guide*, *Fruits and Vegetables Challenge Kit*, *Changing the Scene*, *Making It Happen*, and *Popular Team Nutrition Events*.

Schools and Child Care Centers

Each school and child care center serving meals should have a copy of *Fruits and Vegetables Galore* because it has marketing and nutrition education tips the schools and centers can use to encourage their students to increase their intake of fruits and vegetables. We are also offering centers the opportunity to order copies of the *Fruit and Vegetable Challenge Kit*, a classroom activity for tracking students' fruit and vegetable consumption. The *Food Buying Guide* provides important yield information necessary to ensure schools and centers are meeting the meal pattern requirements for program compliance.

Schools and School Districts Only

Changing the Scene and *Making It Happen* are very useful tools to assist schools in implementing and/or refining their School Wellness Plan. The information provided in these two publications will save the schools and school districts time and effort in identifying and finding solutions for school nutrition environment issues.

Finally, *Popular Team Nutrition Events* gives schools and school districts ideas for fun nutrition education events for students and their parents to introduce and reinforce positive nutrition and physical activity messages. Based on a publication developed by Michigan Team Nutrition, these are events that have been carried out in schools so we know they work.

Please be sure your School Districts and CACFP Institutions are aware of these publications. **An email form is provided as an attachment to this memo to simplify ordering.** States may order copies for all their School Districts or they may forward the email order form to their School Districts so the Districts may order for their staff and their schools. If a State agency chooses, Team Nutrition will direct mail the School District order form with a cover letter to all School Districts based on a School District mailing list provided by the State agency. Please notify Vicky Urcuyo or Sheri Crider at 703-305-1624 if you would like Team Nutrition to do a mailing to your School Districts.

Likewise, State agencies may order copies for their CACFP Institutions or they may forward the email order form to their Institutions so they may order directly from Team Nutrition. Team Nutrition will not mail the order form directly to CACFP Institutions.

Submit orders to TN.Orders@fns.usda.gov or fax them to 703-305-2549. Orders will be filled on a first come, first served basis in the order they are received as long as supplies last. If you have specific questions, you may contact Team Nutrition at 703-305-1624.

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STANLEY C. GARNETT
Director
Child Nutrition Division

Attachments

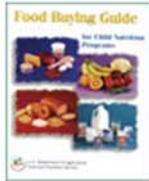
CACFP Institutions Order Form



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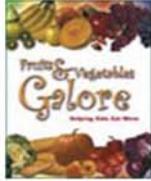
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Food Buying Guide (PA 1331)



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Fruits & Vegetables Galore (USDA 154)



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Fruit & Vegetable Challenge Packet (USDA 157)

Name (Print or Type) Telephone Number

Institution

Street Address (We do not ship to PO Boxes)

City State Zip code

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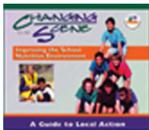
School Districts Order Form



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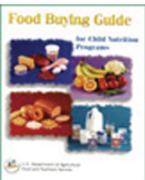
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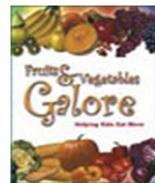


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_____ quantity Fruits & Vegetables Galore (USDA 154)



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