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Scott Clements, Director of Child Nutrition

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ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Enterprise School District
Mr. Marlon Branning
503 River Road
Enterprise, MS 39330

Dear Mr. Branning:

Your response to the findings of our Administrative Review of your 2024-2025 National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP) has been received and accepted in the Mississippi Application and Reimbursement System (MARS). We are closing the file on this review.

If you have any questions concerning this review or need assistance, please call Yolanda Bacon or me at (601) 576-5000. Thank you for your continued support of the Child Nutrition Programs.

Sincerely,

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Office of Child Nutrition, School Support Division

cc: File NSLP (AR) 2024-2025
Brooke Branning, Child Nutrition Director

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July 18, 2025

ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

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Dear Mr. Branning

The State Agency (SA) completed an Administrative Review (AR) of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP), during the week of December 2, 2024. An exit conference was conducted on April 15, 2025. The regulations governing the Administrative Review (7 CFR 210.18) require the SA to review two Critical Areas: Performance Standard 1 (Meal Access and Reimbursement) and Performance Standard 2 (Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality). The Review additionally covers several General Areas of Review. Over the course of the SA Review, **three (3) total findings were identified**. The SA is pleased to report that **none of the findings have resulted in fiscal action**. The findings which were identified are described below.

Meal Pattern and Nutritional Quality (Performance Standard 2)

During the review, the State Agency found that the day of the review's production records did not match the planned menu. Due to the discrepancies, the state agency conducted a nutrient analysis, utilizing the production records for previous days along with the items served during the day of review to assess meal pattern compliance. After the review of the updated nutrient analysis, the state agency confirmed that the SFA did not meet the $\frac{3}{4}$ cup vegetable requirement. In accordance with 7 CFR 210.10 (c), children in grades K-8 should be offered at least $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of vegetables daily. To implement corrective action, the child nutrition director must provide menus and nutrient analysis information for the first month of school to show compliance with the meal pattern requirements. Failure to meet the vegetable requirements directly undermines the program's goals and can lead to significant repercussions such as disallowed meals.

Also, the State agency reviewed the production records and found that a Nutrigrain bar (1 oz) was offered during lunch to the children each day. This resulted in a total weekly grain-based dessert contribution of 5 oz eq, which is non-compliant with the meal pattern. In accordance with 7 CFR 210.10(c)(2)(iii)(c), schools may count up to a maximum of two-ounce equivalents of grain-based desserts per week toward meeting the grains requirement for lunch. To implement corrective action, the child nutrition director must submit her first month's 2026 school menu showing the reduction of grain-based desserts to a maximum of 2 oz eq per week. Future grain-based desserts

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found to be in excess of the allowable grain-based dessert limit could result in fiscal action.

In accordance with 7 CFR 210.10 (a)(3), the production record must show how the meal offered contributes to the required meal components and food quantities for each age/grade group every day. To implement corrective action, the child nutrition director must attend production book training with the Office of Child Nutrition School Support division staff. In addition, the director must train their staff on how to appropriately document meals in the production record and submit a signed record of attendance of training to the state agency. Not following this regulation can lead to further non-compliance meals. As it directly impacts program integrity, fiscal accountability, and the nutritional well-being of students.

The School Food Authority (SFA) must provide a corrective action response to all findings of the Review by August 18, 2025.

In addition to conducting AR, one of the functions of SA is to provide Technical Assistance (TA). During the review, the SA Reviewer provided TA in several areas to CND. TA is documented in MARS, specifically in the "Technical Assistance" section of the "Compliance" Module. TA is provided for the improvement of the program operations and is not considered a finding.

The SA would like to commend the staff at Enterprise School District for their customer service provided to the students and prompt responses received from Ms. Brooke Branning during the administrative review.

If you have any questions regarding this review, or if you would like to request additional assistance, please email me at kbarnett@mdek12.org or (601) 576-5000.

Sincerely,

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