

New USDA Resources and Rules

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) [Office of Community Food Systems](#) created a [fact sheet](#) outlining the different resources it has developed. This fact sheet details the [Farm to School Census](#), the [Farm to School Grant Program](#) as well as training and technical assistance materials created over the past several years. Sharing this fact sheet is a good place to start the conversation with local partners about how to dive into farm to school activities. Be sure to download the updated version before printing! Access the fact sheet at this link: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/fact-sheets>.

Additionally, USDA recently announced several final rules to ensure children have access to healthy snacks by setting consistent nutrition standards for the foods marketed and served in schools. Below is a summary of the final rules:

1. The [Local School Wellness Policy](#) final rule empowers communities to take an active role in the health of their children. These policies guide a school district's efforts to establish school environments that support healthy eating and physical activity.
2. The [Smart Snacks in School](#) final rule aligns the nutritional quality of snacks sold to children during the school day with the science-based improvements made to school lunches and breakfasts over the last five years.
3. The [Community Eligibility Provision](#) final rule allows schools and local educational agencies with high poverty rates to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students to promote access to healthy food and reduce administrative burdens on schools and families.

Click [here](#) to access more information about these important rules.



For more information, and to sign up for the bi-weekly e-letter from the Food and Nutrition Service's Office of Community Food Systems, please visit www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool. Questions? Email us at farmtoschool@fns.usda.gov.

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FARM to SCHOOL
PROGRAM

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CSPAP Guide Now a SNAP-ED Approved Publication

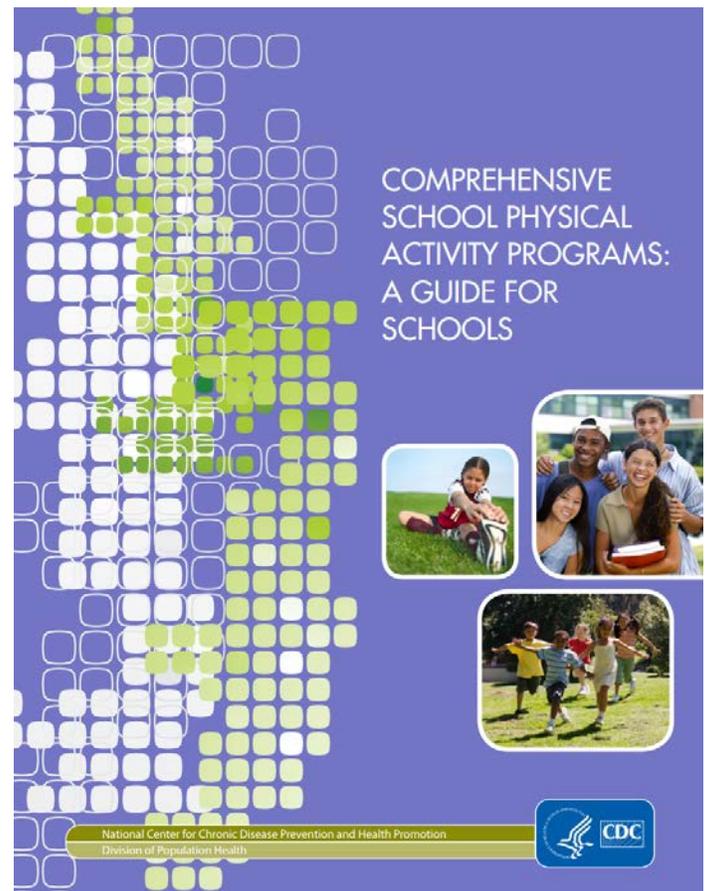
The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Education (SNAP-Ed) has designated the "[Comprehensive School Physical Activity Programs: A Guide for Schools](#)" (CSPAP Guide) as a SNAP-Ed approved resource.

The CSPAP Guide provides step-by-step directions for developing, implementing, and evaluating comprehensive physical activity and physical education programs within school districts and schools.

Please use the CSPAP Guide to enhance efforts helping schools integrate more opportunities for students to participate in physical activity before, during, and after school.

Look for the CSPAP Guide at the Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Branch (NEOPB) website in the [NEOPB Approved Resources List](#).

For more information regarding this tool, or to request a no-cost copy, contact Andrew Manthe at andrew.manthe@cdph.ca.gov or 916-449-5393.



Last day for FFY16 Activity Tracking Form Entries

Friday, October 14, 2016 is the last day to enter Federal Financial Year 2016 Activity Tracking Form (ATF) entries. Please ensure all data are entered by this date. On Saturday, October 15, 2016 all FFY16 data will be moved to the archives in order to prepare for the FFY17 ATF data.

For more information, please contact Alexis Narodovich at Alexis.Narodovich@cdph.ca.gov or 916-650-6905.

Ordering Harvest of the Month Workbook for FFY 17

Based on recent assessment of Local Health Department (LHD) needs, the ordering of the Harvest of the Month workbooks for FFY 2017 developed by San Bernardino comes in two waves. The first round of ordering began on Monday, August 8, 2016 to the following LHDs:

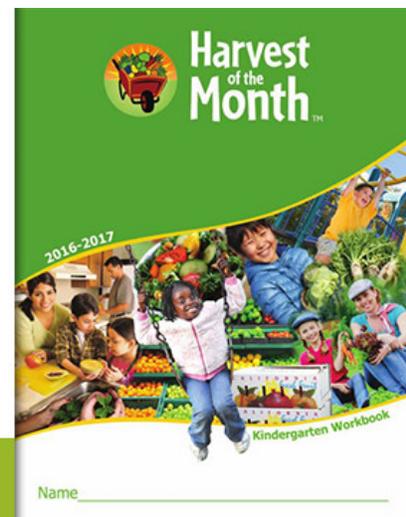
1. Orange County
2. San Diego
3. San Bernardino
4. Chico
5. Sacramento
6. Kern
7. Santa Barbara
8. San Joaquin
9. Humboldt

The price per booklet is \$0.67 cents and shipment of purchased workbooks will begin on August 29, 2016.

The second round of ordering will open to the remaining LHDs interested in purchasing the workbooks on October 1, 2016. The price per booklet will be determined at that time. We will remind you of this date again in September.

To place orders visit <http://workbook.4colorchoice.com/>

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California SNAP-Ed Training Resources

Check out the [Training Resources](#) webpage for the latest training related information and calendar of scheduled [Event Highlights for August and September](#)

Local Implementing Agency (LIA) Facilitation Training 2 ToP Consensus Workshop:

August 19, 22, 24, 26 & 29

A,B,Cs of Healthy Retail - Fundamentals for Designing a Healthy Retail Program: August 23

Getting Your School Wellness Policy Committee Engaged and Moving Forward: August 24

Recruiting and Engaging Youth: August 25

ChangeLab Solutions Presents Healthy Retail Policy Playbook: August 30

LIA Facilitation Training 3 ToP Action Planning Process: September 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 23 & 26

Sprouting Healthy Kids in Early Care and Education Settings: September 8

SNAP, Crackle and Learner Centered Education: August 25, September 13

SNAP-Ed Physical Activity (PA) Integration - Moving Towards Successful and Sustainable PA:
September 12

Your SNAP-Ed Guide to the Dietary Guidelines: September 14

Improving the Nutrition Zone in Early Care and Education Settings: September 15

Creating Physical Activity (PA) Opportunities Through Joint Use: September 20

Healthy Eating Active Living Toolkit Curriculum: September 22

Resources for Assessing the Quality of School Health Policies and Practices, and Improvement Plan Implementation: September 22

Quench Better! Using the Rethink Your Drink Campaign for Healthy Beverage Education and PSE change work: September 28

The Sweet Truth: 2015 DGA Recommendations about Sugar: September 29

