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July 7, 2020

Danny Parkerson, Board Chair DeKalb County Schools 110 South Public Square Smithville, TN 37166

Dear Mr. Parkerson,

The Department of Human Services (DHS) - Division of Audit Services staff conducted a limited desk review of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) at DeKalb County Schools (Sponsor), Application Agreement number 00-716, during the period of March 31, 2020 through June 17, 2020. Our scope of the review was for reimbursement made to the Sponsor for February 2020.

Due to the outbreak and the risk that COVID19 poses to the Sponsor and our staff, the review was limited to verification, based on review of the documents obtained from Sponsor, via e-mail, mail, or other electronic transmission of documents. We also, obtained confirmation from the feeding sites and Sponsor staff via telephone or e-mail relative to the operation and administration of the CACFP.

The purpose of this review was to determine if the Sponsor complied with USDA regulations set through the COVID-19 period, taking into consideration the waivers granted to the Sponsor's operation. Also, to determine if the Sponsor complied with the applicable *Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) applicable parts, provider agreements, and applicable Federal and State regulations.

Based on our review of the Sponsor's records and information provided, the Sponsor had five (5) feeding sites operating during the review period. Smithville Elementary and DeKalb Middle School were selected as the sample.

Background

CACFP Sponsors utilize meal count sheets to record the number of breakfast, lunch, supper, and supplement meals served. Meals served by participating Sponsors must meet the minimum guidelines set by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and DHS to be eligible for reimbursement. The CACFP Sponsor reports the number of meals served through

the DHS Tennessee Information Payment System (TIPS) for reimbursement.

We inspected meal counts sheets for February 2020 and reconciled the meals claimed to the meals reported as served for each meal service. We also assessed compliance with civil rights requirements

<u>Important COVID-19 note</u>: Due the current outbreak and the risk that COVID19 poses to your organization personnel and our staff, all our staff are working from home with no or very limited access to the office. Therefore, we will not send a copy of this report via regular mail until further notice. Please confirm the receipt of this email as it is currently the option to communicate to you. If you need any assistance or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via email.

Our review of the Sponsor's records for February 2020 disclosed no significant deficiencies.

Technical Assistance Provided

Technical assistance was offered however it was declined by the Sponsor.

We appreciate the assistance provided during this review. If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Sean Baker, Audit Director 2, at 615-313-4727 or Sean.Baker@tn.gov.

Sincerely,

Sam O. Alzoubi, CFE Director of Audit Services

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Exhibit

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Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Tennessee

Exhibit A

Sponsor of At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program Data

Sponsor: DeKalb County Schools Review Month/Year: February 2020 Total Reimbursement: \$ 6,802.59

Site Meal Service Reconciliation and Monitor Activity	Reported on Claim	Reconciled to Documentation
Total Days of CACFP Food Service	10	10
Number of Sites	5	5
Total Attendance	1,888	1,888
Number of Supper Served	1,865	1,865

Exhibit B

At-Risk Afterschool Site Data

Sample Site: Smithville Elementary

Site Meal Service Reconciliation and Monitor Activity	Reported on Claim	Reconciled to Documentation
Total Days of CACFP Food Service	7	7
Total Attendance	299	299
Number of Supper Served	299	299

Exhibit C

At-Risk Afterschool Site Data

Sample Site: DeKalb Middle School

Site Meal Service Reconciliation and Monitor Activity	Reported on Claim	Reconciled to Documentation
Total Days of CACFP Food Service	8	8
Total Attendance	309	309
Number of Supplements Served	309	309