



School Food Service District Timelines For School Year 2025-2026

November 2025

- MNSNA SNIP conference
- IFD DD conference and food show
- December menu forecast due for large schools on November 10

December 2025

- State of WI SNA conference
- January menu forecast due for large schools on December 10

January 2026

- Review menus and prepare for the annual USDA Commodity State Surveys.
- IFD will run usage of all eligible diversion items from July 1-December 19 and send for you to review.
- DD schools Information is posted on the Nutritional Portal for your convenience.
- DD schools watch your pounds. If you are low, there may be more available.
- Request more pounds if needed.
- February menu forecast due for large schools on January 9

February 2026

- Annual order survey for SY 2026-27 USDA Foods opens. SFAs participating in direct diversion will commit pounds of bulk USDA Foods and select procured processors on the annual order survey.
- Agree to the "Direct Diversion Agreement" in the USDA Foods ordering system prior to completing the Direct Diversion annual survey.
- March menu forecast due for large schools on February 10

March 2026

- SFAs must have valid contract in place with commercial distributor and update the online USDA Foods agreement with distribution information by end of March. (Most of these contracts are attached to your prime vendor contract).
- The state sweep of entitlement in Minnesota and Wisconsin will be June 30th for the 2025-2026 school year. If you intend to bulk buy to use your pounds, please get your orders to your IFD consultant early so we can work with our suppliers to procure those cases for you.
- Because of minimum orders and lead times we will do our very best to secure the product requested.
- Menu forecast for April through the end of school year due March 10



April 2026

- DD schools send their wish lists and/or calculators to commodities@callifd.com by April 17
- Summer Menus due to your IFD Consultant by April 10

May 2026

- MSFBG commitments verified and updated to Reports@callifd.com (This is for MN Members only).
- Inform your IFD Consultant of:
 - End of school delivery dates.
 - Summer School dates and delivery sites.
 - August/September start-up dates for delivery and school.
 - New item requests for September menus turned into your IFD Consultant (this is not a guarantee of stocking but will depend on usage and availability).
- ALL DIRECT DELIVERY aka BROWN BOX for the 2025-2026 year must be out of our warehouse. If you cannot take these items by this date, please connect with commodities@callifd.com so we can find a home for them. All items should be taken or donated by May 31st.

June 2026

- DD schools use all remaining pounds before the June 30th deadline sweep.
- September Menus due to your IFD Specialist

If you have any questions, please reach out to a member of the IFD School Team.

Thank you!





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