



Have you heard the news? During the 2018 budget process our elected officials put into law the most robust Farm to School incentive program in the nation!!!

The program is simple: *If 30% of the school lunches per school year are comprised of food that is grown, raised or processed in New York state, the districts will receive an additional .19 cents in reimbursement for the free and full price lunches the following school year.*

Definitions:

NYS Food Product

- A food item that is grown, harvested, or produced in New York State; or
- A food item processed inside or outside NYS comprising over 51% agricultural raw materials grown, harvested, or produced in NYS, by weight or volume.

Producing

- Producing of food grown upon and/or harvested from the farm or waters through agricultural, horticultural, aqua cultural, or dairying processes.

Processing

- Any alteration of a food product from its raw or original state to enhance its value or render it suitable for consumption. Examples of processing include, but are not limited to, butchering of meat, or poultry, and cooking, pasteurizing, and/or packaging food products.

Processed Products:

Product Formulation Statement Required

- ✓ Completed & signed by processor
- ✓ Information to tie to delivered product
- ✓ Only NYS ingredients listed
- ✓ Maintained by SFA

For processed products, SFAs must require that product manufacturers complete the **Product Formulation Statement for Documenting processed New York State Food Products** found [here](#) to certify qualifying products. Processed products for which a Product Formulation Statement for Documenting *processed* New York State Food Products has not been certified by the manufacturer and maintained by the SFA cannot be counted toward this initiative. SFAs must maintain these signed statements for documentation.

Click here for product formulation statement:

<http://www.cn.nysed.gov/common/cn/files/pfs-for-documenting-nys-processed-food-products.pdf>

**Product Formulation Statement
for Documenting *processed* New York State Food Products**

A food item processed inside or outside New York State (NYS) comprising of over 51 percent agricultural raw materials grown, harvested, or produced in NYS, by weight or volume is considered a NYS Food Product. To document such processed items as NYS Food Products, School Food Authorities must maintain:

- a copy of the product label that includes product ingredients, date of production and batch/run identification as applicable
- any product formulation statement or CN label for meal pattern crediting in Child Nutrition Programs as applicable
- the following applicable information on processing company letterhead signed by an official company representative

Processor Name:			
Product Name:			
Product Code:			
Product Batch/Run #:			
Production Date(s):			
NYS Ingredient Name	NYS Ingredient Name	Business/Farm of Origin Information City	Amount of NYS Ingredient
Total amount of all NYS ingredients ¹			

Districts Need to Maintain Documentation for Participation:

- Invoices
- Receipts
- Production records
- NYS products list
- Product formulation statements
- New York Grown & Certified
- Solicitations
- Contracts
- Purchase orders
- Price lists
- Labels

For Complete Rules Please Refer to the NYS Education Dept website:

<http://www.cn.nysed.gov/content/additional-state-subsidy-purchasing-new-york-state-food-products>

FAQ: <http://www.cn.nysed.gov/content/frequently-asked-questions-regarding-30-nys-initiative>



Form to be completed and submitted to alyssa@nyschoolnutrition.org for a NY Incentive Program sign at conference:

Company Name: _____

Booth Number: _____

Qualified Product: _____

Description of Qualified Product:

Category (check one):

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I certify the above information is true and correct and that the product identified above meets the NYS program criteria:

Printed Name and Title

Date

Signature of Authorized Representative