

EXPANDING SUMMER MEALS:

Setting Actionable
Goals for Your Program
and How to Get There
in 2025



Session Leads



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Agenda

- Introductions & Expectations
- Expanding Summer Meals in 2024
 - Cacyce Davis, Elmore County Schools
 - John Barber, Jamestown YMCA
 - Mickela Mitchell, Union County Schools
- Your Program: Action Planning for 2025



Session Speakers



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Disclaimer

Our speakers represent their own experience with non-congregate summer meal programs in their states and localities. Certain program models and implementation methods may be restricted in some states. Check with your local state agency before implementing any new meal service models or implementation methods.

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Elmore County Schools

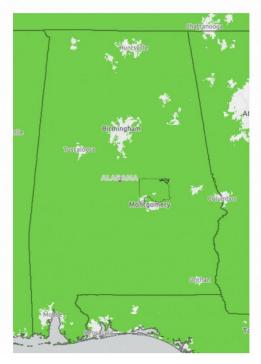
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USDA Rural Designation Map





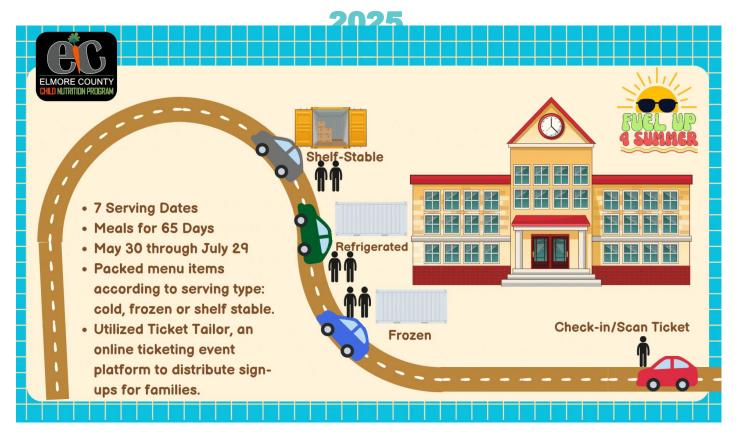






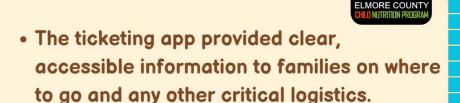










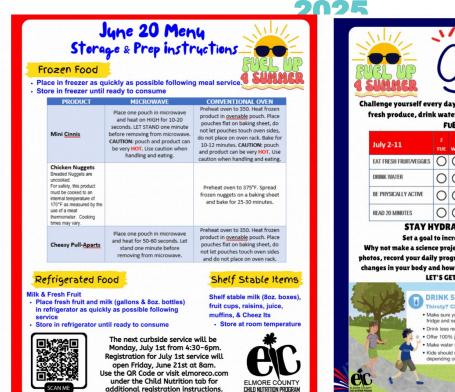


- It is compatible with iPads and iPhones to act as scanners that continuously gather data on who is in line and participating in the program.
- This tool was pivotal in streamlining the registration process and mitigating some logistical burdens.







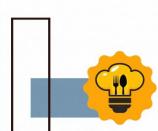


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Healthy Meals for Hungry Kids



September to June

- Out of School Time meals and snacks to 7 sites
- 36,769 Meals; 15,197 Snacks



July to August

- Providing breakfast and lunch to 14 sites
- . 38,060 Summer Meals







BETTER TOGETHER

Anti-Childhood Hunger Partners

2024 OPEN SITES: Rural Non-Congregate

- Jamestown Parks (Jackson Taylor/Lillian Dickson)
- Persell Middle School
- Prendergast Library
- Frewsburg Town Park
- Falconer Central Schools
- Hazeltine Library









Healthy Meals for Hungry Kids

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OPEN SITES: Rural Non-Congregate

- 10 Weeks
- Monday to Friday
- 30 to 60 Minute Service Times
- Breakfast and Lunch Daily
- Grab-n-Go Service Method





Rural Non-Congregate Comparisons

Lillian Dickson Park

Summer 2023

- Average 20 Children/day
- 956 Meals Served

Summer 2024

- Average 54 Children/day
- 4,958 Meals Served



Prendergast Library

Summer 2023

- Average 17 Children/day
- 923 Meals Served

Summer 2024

- Average 84 Children/day
- 6,978 Meals Served





Healthy Meals for Healthy Kids

Feedback From Families

"I like the security knowing my child will never have to go hungry. Because I don't have to worry about breakfast and lunch, I can focus on providing healthy and fresh fruit and veggies and balanced dinners at home."





"We appreciate the meals and it helps our family stay on budget over summer when kids are not in school. Thank you!"

"We are blessed with this program and we are forever grateful for such a wonderful service Thank you!!!"

"My child likes the food and it also helps with budgeting"











2025



Marketing Home Delivery of Summer Meals

- 1 Audience Call-To-Action
- 2 What Outlets are Available?

3 Story: Show - Don't Tell







What Do I Want?

Parents:

Give permission to drop meals

for entire summer

Team:

Sign up to work over summer

District: Technology, & School

Support from Transportation,

Secretaries

Audience Call-To-Action











How Can We Reach Them?









Story: Show, Don't Tell









2025



Story: Show Don't Tell









Union County

Buzzworthy Eats

Delivery Team

4,000+
individual stops

90 620

routes hours driving

6 vehicles







2025



UCHS

JROTC

343 Volunteer Hours







2025

Thank You!



To Our Community



To District & State
Administration



To All Volunteers & Staff







ACTION: SETTING GOALS FOR YOUR PROGRAM IN 2025

- Think about the successes and challenges you had expanding summer meals in 2024.
 - O What worked? What didn't work?
- Exploring impact goals:
 - Long-term shared vision for success.
 - Immediate outcomes that will contribute to the change.



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ACTION: SETTING GOALS FOR YOUR PROGRAM IN 2025

What key changes will you have to make to meet your goals? Does that differ with varying audiences?

- Kids
- Caregivers
- Community partners
- School administration
- Staff
- Volunteers
- State agency
- Social media following
- Elected officials
- Vendors



EXAMPLE SPONSOR: Washington County Schools

• 2024 Model and Operations:

 First time sponsor with 5 grab-and-go sites across Washington County.

• 2024 What Worked:

Grab-and-go was a success with families!

• 2024 What Didn't Work:

- Native Spanish-speaking households from the school district aren't participating in the program.
- Little participation from housing complexes and surrounding neighborhoods.



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ACTION: SETTING GOALS FOR YOUR PROGRAM IN 2025

- **Future Vision:** Long-term and something your work will contribute to over time.
- Near-Term Goals: Identify 1-2 behaviors as goals for near-term success. They should be
 observable and measurable.

EXAMPLE:

The Future

The long-term impact you would like to contribute to is:

Summer meals are easily accessible to all 3,000 students in Washington County and a reliable, consistent resource available to families in Washington County.

The Near-Term

The more near-term outcome that tells you that your solution is working is:

We will expand the reach of our summer meals program in 2025 by adding at least 2 sites at housing complexes and optimizing marketing and menus to meet the need/preferences of all people in Washington County.



ACTION: SETTING GOALS FOR YOUR PROGRAM IN 2025

 Key Shifts for Specific Audiences: The key shifts that need to happen in order to meet your goals and vision. These will usually be changes in knowledge, attitudes, perceptions and actions to take.

EXAMPLE:

The Key Changes that Need to Happen To Get You There

What changes do you need to make before Summer 2025? What audiences do you need to engage to make your goals a reality and program a success?

Housing complex staff/ Community partners Audience Add meal site in complex. Train/educate staff. Provide marketing materials. Key Shift/Change





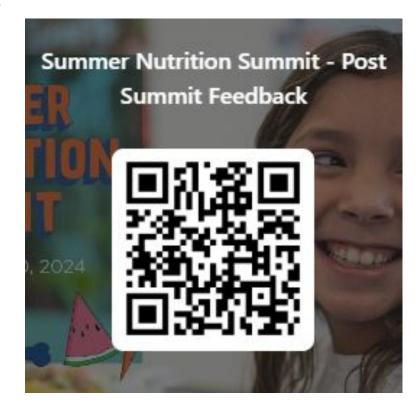
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