Food and Nutrition Service

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Re: Response to FR Docket ID FNS-2021-0044

Dear Misty Clark:

Thank you for your response to the Federal Register Notice requesting comments on the proposed information collection for the 2023 Farm to School Census, published December 2, 2021. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is committed to generating national and state-level data reflecting the scope and details of U.S. school food authority participation in farm to school activities, and we appreciate your comments.

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We will evaluate all comments as required by 5 CFR 1320, Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public. Comments germane to the information collection will be addressed in the Information Collection Request submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Submission of the Information Collection Request to OMB will be announced via the Federal Register.

The Farm to School Census does not collect information related to homeschool participation in farm to school activities. FNS Team Nutrition provides materials for food and agriculture education which may be relevant for homeschooling (see https://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/nutrition-education-materials). You can learn more about farm to school in general on the FNS Office of Community Food Systems website (https://www.fns.usda.gov/cfs).

Thank you again for your comments and your support of USDA school meals programs.

Sincerely,

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