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### CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS Certification Regarding Lobbying

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulation, 7 CFR 3018, governing lobbying, requires that any entity that enters into an agreement to operate one or more of the Child Nutrition Programs (CNP) and receives over \$100,000 in federal funds for any programs (i.e. Department of Education Grants or Child Nutrition Programs) must complete and submit, on an annual basis, a certification Regarding Lobbying form.

Licensed Education Agencies (LEAs) who receive more than \$100,000 in federal funds must complete the form by signing it. Do not check the box on the form.

If you receive less than \$100,000 in federal funds, complete the form by checking the "N/A" box, signing the form, and returning it.

If you are unsure of the amount of federal funding the LEA receives, please check with your business manager before completing the forms.

**Applicable to grants, subgrants, cooperative agreements, and contracts exceeding \$100,000 in federal funds.**

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction and is imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a federal contract, the making of a federal grant, the making of a federal loan, the entering into of a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all covered subawards exceeding \$100,000 in federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Check here if the organization does not receive more than \$100,000 in federal funds. Complete the information below and return this form with your application.

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Name/Address of Organization or LEA

Child Nutrition Programs  
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Name FNS Grant/Cooperative Agreement

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Signature

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Name/Title

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Date