**STATE AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW SUMMARY**

Section 207 of the HHFKA amended section 22 of the NSLA (42 U.S.C. 1769c) to require State agencies to report the final results of the administrative review to the public in an accessible, easily understood manner in accordance with guidelines promulgated by the Secretary. Regulations at 7 CFR 210.18(m) requires the State agency to post a summary of the most recent final administrative review results for each SFA on the State agency's publicly available website no later than 30 days after the SA provides the final results of the administrative review to the SFA. The SA must also make a copy of the final administrative review report available to the public upon request.

**School Food Authority Name:** **Amherst School Committee**

**Date(s) of Administrative Review:** 03/12/2024

**Date review results were provided to the School Food Authority:** 03/20/2024

**Date review summary was publicly posted:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The review summary must cover access and reimbursement (including eligibility and certification review results), an SFA's compliance with the meal patterns and the nutritional quality of school meals, the results of the review of the school nutrition environment (including food safety, local school wellness policy, and competitive foods), compliance related to civil rights, and general program participation. At a minimum, this would include the written notification of review findings provided to the SFAs Superintendent or equivalent as required at 7 CFR 210.18(i)(3).

**General Program Participation**

1. What Child Nutrition Programs does the School Food Authority participate in? (Select all that apply)

[x]  School Breakfast Program

[x]  National School Lunch Program

[ ]  Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

[x]  Afterschool Snack

[ ]  Special Milk Program

[ ]  Seamless Summer Option

1. Does the School Food Authority operate under any Special Provisions? (Select all that apply)

[x]  Community Eligibility Provision

[ ]  Special Provision 1

[ ]  Special Provision 2

[ ]  Special Provision 3

**Review Findings**

1. Were any findings identified during the review of this School Food Authority?

 [x]  Yes [ ]  No

If yes, please indicate the areas and what issues were identified in the table below.

**REVIEW FINDINGS**

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| Program Access and Reimbursement |
| Afterschool Snack Program |
| * The afterschool snack program has not been monitored within the first four (4) weeks of operation.
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| Meal Patterns and Nutritional Quality |
| Offer versus Serve- Lunch Program |
| * The SFA has an insufficient amount of information demonstrating that the cafeteria staff has been trained on Offer vs. Serve requirements for NSLP.
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| School Nutrition Environment |
| Food Safety |
| * A review of agricultural food components indicated violations of the Buy American provision either during review of products on-site or at off-site storage facilities as applicable.
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| * Foods are not rotated properly according to accepted practice.
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| * No one in the kitchen is trained in choke saving procedures.
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| Local School Wellness Policy |
| * The local school wellness policy does not contain the required elements. The policy is missing policies for food and beverage marketing.
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| * The local wellness policy did not indicate the availability of free potable water during meals. The WellSAT3.0 Assessment Tool and the Massachusetts School Wellness Coaching Program provide guidance to include the availability of free potable water during meals in the local wellness policy.
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| * The School Food Authority does not have documentation on file demonstrating an assessment of the local school wellness policy is conducted every three (3) years. The School Food Authority does not have documentation demonstrating the results of the assessment have been made available to the public.
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| Civil Rights |
| * The School Food Authority does not communicate the availability of meal modifications to families.
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| * The School Food Authority does not have or has not maintained a civil rights complaint log to track any written or verbal complaints alleging discrimination in FNS Programs.
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| * The School Food Authority's district-wide civil rights policy does not include meal modification information.
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| * The School Food Authority's written civil rights complaint procedure within the school meals program does not include some or all of the required content.
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| ***Noteworthy Observations*** |
| The Review Team found the following noteworthy items: Wildwood Elementary had very knowledgeable and passionate staff. Staff knew children by name and made meal service pleasant for all. The kitchen was kept very clean. |