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To: Local Educational Agency Leads; School Business Administrators; Charter School Leads; Nonpublic School Administrators; Food Service Directors of Schools Participating in the School Nutrition Programs

From: Rose Chamberlain, Division Director

Date: July 12, 2024

Subject: Delay in Launch of Direct Certification Application in SNEARS

The Division of Food & Nutrition is informing schools that deployment of the Direct Certification Application in SNEARS for SY 2024-2025 will not occur on the planned date of Monday, July 15, 2024. Currently, New Jersey is working with the USDA on a new program to help schools directly certify more students. As additional data is being incorporated, the Direct Certification tile in SNEARS will launch as soon as possible in July.

Thank you for your patience. We will keep you updated as we work to resolve this issue. Questions may be directed to the School Nutrition Programs' Unit at 609-984-0693.