

## **Daily Meal Count Form Instructions**

Trained Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) site staff must take a point-of-service meal count every day during each meal service. The daily meal count form must be accurate and completed in its entirety.

- 1. The site name, meal type being served, address, date, and supervisor's name must be recorded. The total number of meals available must also be recorded.
- 2. As each child receives a meal, cross off the corresponding number under First Meals Served to Children. Be sure to write in the total number of first meals served.
- 3. If second meals are served, cross off the corresponding number under Second Meals Served to Children. Up to two percent of second meals served may be claimed during the claiming period.
- 4. Record the total number of meals eligible for reimbursement next to First Meals and/or Second Meals. The numbers of first and second meals are the only meals that can be claimed for reimbursement.
- 5. If meals are served to program adults or non-program adults, cross off the corresponding number.
- 6. If there are any damaged, incomplete, or other non-reimbursable meals served, cross off the corresponding number.
- 7. Record the total number of meals served. This is the total number of first meals, second meals, program and non-program adult meals, and incomplete or non-reimbursable meals.
- 8. Record the number of leftover meals.
- 9. If additional children requested a meal after all available meals were served, record that number by crossing off the corresponding number. This number is helpful for adjusting meal orders or preparation upward.
- 10. Certify that the information recorded is true and accurate by signing and dating the meal count form.