

## **FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM (FFVP) FAQs**

**1) Q: What is the duration of the FFVP program?**

A: The program agreement is in effect for 12 months from July 1 through June 30 of each program year. All program funds must be obligated and all program activities must be completed by June 30th of each program year.

**2) Q: When should the fruits and vegetables be made available?**

A: The fruits and vegetables should be made available during the school day, but not during breakfast or lunch meal service times. Schools may offer the fresh fruits and vegetables in classrooms, hallways, at kiosks, or as part of classroom activities such as nutrition education.

**3) Q: What kinds of fruits and vegetables are permissible to serve in the FFVP?**

A: Fresh fruits and vegetables are allowable. Cooked vegetables that are cooked from fresh are allowed at a maximum of one time per week, if accompanied by a nutrition education lesson. Juice is not allowed as part of the FFVP.

**4) Q: Can schools purchase value added or enhanced products?**

A: Yes, funds may be used to purchase products that include pre-cut or individually bagged fruits and vegetables, etc. The cost of these enhanced items would be included as part of the food cost.

**5) Q: Are there any requirements for serving sizes for the fruits and vegetables?**

A: No. However, the servings offered should be appropriate for the age and consumption pattern of participating children. The portion should serve as a snack.