*This press release is for sponsors documenting eligibility for each site based on areas where poor economic conditions exist.*

The [**Stamford**] announces its participation in the federally funded Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Under the SFSP, nutritious meals are provided free of charge to children 18 years and under at the following sites:

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| **Name and address of sites** | **Meals available and serving times** | **Meal service dates** |
| Cloonan Middle School11 W North St.Stamford, CT 06902 |  | Breakfast 9:00-9:30 amLunch 11:00-11:45 am |  | 6/27/2022-8/12/2022 |
| Ripppowam Middle School381 High Ridge Rd.Stamford, CT 06905 |  | Breakfast 9:00-9:30 amLunch 11:00-11:45 am |  | 6/27/2022-8/12/2022 |
| Rogers International 202 Blachley Rd.Stamford, CT 06902 |  | Breakfast 9:00-9:30 amLunch 11:00-11:45 am |  | 6/27/2022-8/12/2022 |
| Westover Elementary412 Stillwater Ave.Stamford, CT 06902 |  | Breakfast 9:00-9:30 amLunch 11:00-11:45 am |  | 6/27/2022-8/12/2022 |

Persons interested in receiving more information should contact:

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| Sponsor name: | Stamford Public Schools |
| Sponsor address: | 888 Washington Blvd. |
| City: | Stamford | State: | CT | Sponsor phone: | 203-977-1177 |

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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| Audrey Way |  | 07/19/2022 |
| Signature of Authorized Representative |  | Date |

**Directions:**

1. A copy of the release form and documentation of release to media outlets must be maintained in sponsor files and available for review upon request by the Connecticut State Department of Education.
2. **Do not** pay to have this put into the paper. The SFSP regulations require only that you submit the release to the media.
3. You can personalize your press release by including information about your program. The number of years your organization has participated in the SFSP and the number of children who benefit from the program would make the press release more interesting to the reader.

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| For information on the SFSP, visit the Connecticut State Department of Education’s [SFSP](https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/Nutrition/Summer-Food-Service-Program) website. This form is available at <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Nutrition/SFSP/Press_Release_Area_Eligible_Open_Sites_SFSP.docx>. |